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Curling **Team Canada advance to playoffs**

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Team Canada skip Jennifer Jones strikes an unhappy pose while trailing in the 12th draw against Team Korea at the Women's World Curling Championships in Korea yesterday. Canada won 7-6.

Guilty

Drabinsky and Gottlieb convicted of cooking books

The spectacular fall of two of Canada's highest-flying theatre impresarios ended with an emphatic thud yesterday as Livent Inc. co-founders Garth Drabinsky and Myron Gottlieb were found guilty of cooking their company's books and defrauding investors of millions.

As family members wept, the grim-faced men, whose Broadway and Canadian productions of Kiss of the Spider Woman, The Phantom of the Opera and Show Boat thrilled audiences across the continent, left court in silence.

Ontario Superior Court Justice Mary Lou Benotto delivered a brief oral judgment by starting with some high praise for the two men before pronouncing a guilty verdict to a standing-room-only courtroom.

"The accounting system was fraudulent. You knew what was happening."
Justice Mary Lou Benotto

"The creative success that you achieved through your company was spectacular," Benotto said. "It performed wonders."

While the well-deserved success and honours the men achieved "reflected favourably" on all Canadians, Benotto continued, the trial was about the company's dishonest accounting practices, not about its theatrical successes.

"The accounting system was fraudulent," she said, before pronouncing the duo guilty. "You knew what was happening."

The convictions carry respective maximum sentences of 10 and 14 years. The men will appear in court April 8 to begin the sentencing process.

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MORE COVERAGE, PG 3

Torontonians love their daily Metro news fix

NUMBERS Don't believe everything you read about the newspaper industry.

According to the latest Newspaper Audience Databank survey results released yesterday, the vast majority of Canadians continue to read newspapers.

Last year, 69 per cent of Canadians — 12.9 million people — read a newspaper over the course of a week, and when online readers are added in, that number grows to 77 per cent.

"Newspapers continue to play an important role in the lives of Canadians," said Metro English Canada group publisher Bill McDonald. "Readers in the millions rely on newspapers every day for the information that is important to their lives."

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Nowhere is that more evident than in Toronto. Metro's readership in the GTA is up by about 3.5 per cent, jumping to 449,700 from 434,600. Within the city, Metro is the second most read daily newspaper.

"Metro continues to be the voice for young, urban readers in the City of Toronto," said McDonald. "Metro Toronto reaches more 25- to 34-year-olds than any other daily in the city. And Metro is committed to delivering more of what readers and advertisers are looking for."

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Two Burlington youths arrested over stabbing
Halton Regional Police arrested two youths in connection with a stabbing and robbery of a youth's backpack Tuesday evening during a fight with a group of acquaintances near Burlington Central High School. The victim was treated in hospital for minor injuries. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Local

Speaker reprimands Liberals

The referee of the provincial legislature, Speaker Steve Peters, left, has reprimanded the government for taunting the Opposition about a Toronto police probe into an alleged hacking of the Ontario Liberal party's website. The alleged attack was traced back to two computers used by the Opposition Conservatives in the legislature. The party has since dismissed a caucus staffer and said it will co-operate fully with the police investigation. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Blogs Love Bytes queries two women on the truths of same-sex relationships at **metronews.ca/canada**

Lotteries

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Ontario 49: 2, 4, 6, 7, 19 & 33. Bonus 43.
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News in brief

OBIT Mississauga Coun. Harold Kennedy, who served 26 years as a councillor representing the Lakeview-Port Credit area before retiring in 1994, died at home Saturday of congestive heart failure. He was 82.
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Fire called 'suspicious'

Pregnant woman, 4-year-old son die in apartment blaze

Fire officials were yesterday probing "suspicious" elements of a fire in a highrise that killed a pregnant woman and her young son and left two other people in critical condition.

Investigators were concerned by witness reports that one of the occupants of the burning suite on the ninth floor of the 28-storey Country Club Towers at 2460 Weston Rd. came to the door during Tuesday's fire but didn't make it out.

"There are definitely aspects of this fire that cause us to be suspicious," said Wayne Romaine of the Office of the Ontario Fire Marshal. Police said yesterday the cause of the fire had not been determined.

Four victims, including a four-year-old boy, were pulled without vital signs from a bedroom in the ninth-floor suite while flames raged in the front of the apartment, where the fire broke out.

Two women suffering from smoke inhalation remained in hospital in critical condition.

Investigators have not clarified the relationship between the women in critical condition and the victims.

A distraught woman who identified herself as the victim's sister showed up at the apartment clutching pictures of the young woman and her son.

"Six o'clock at night, it does not make sense," fire Chief William Stewart told television station CP24.
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Carlene Blackwood shows photos of Schanelle Brown and her son Jahshy, 4, who died in an apartment fire.

Drabinsky's Order of Canada status in doubt

STRIPPED Theatre impresario Garth Drabinsky, convicted of fraud and forgery yesterday, could find himself joining an exclusive club: Recipients of the Order of Canada whose honours have been stripped.

It's a rare distinction afforded only those who are deemed to have brought the award into severe disrepute. In fact, it's happened only twice.

The first was Alan Eagleson. The disbarred lawyer and former hockey agent was stripped in 1998 after a conviction for fraud for ripping off his clients.

In July 2005, aboriginal leader David Ahenakew had to return his insignia, which he received in 1978 for years of service to Indians and Metis in Saskatchewan. Ahenakew was lambasted for anti-Semitic remarks in 2002 that led to a conviction in July 2005 that was overturned earlier this year.

Drabinsky was invested in 1996. His citation recognizes him as "an entrepreneur and a risk-taker" who revolutionized film presentation and distribution in Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Belinda Stronach poses for a photograph yesterday in front of construction of the new Breast Cancer Research Centre at Sunnybrook Hospital.

Stronach talks about cancer

TREATMENT Two years after she learned she had breast cancer and decided not to seek re-election as an MP, Belinda Stronach is opening up about her diagnosis and treatment to help raise funds for a new centre at a Toronto hospital that will be dedicated to preventing and fighting the disease.

> **"I wanted to preserve my nipple."**
> Belinda Stronach

Stronach, a divorced mother of two teenagers and vice-chairman of her father Frank's Magna International, opted for a mastectomy and breast reconstruction, which allowed her to avoid radiation. Her decision to travel to California for the surgery garnered criticism. But Stronach stands by her decision.

"It was important to me at the time that I wanted to preserve my nipple, and that wasn't at the time an option that I was given here."

Without the technique to preserve the nipple, women who have breast reconstruction can opt for a "nipple" tattoo, but that's not what she wanted.

Since her own operation, Stronach has raised more than $1 million for the Belinda Stronach Chair in Breast Cancer Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Toronto so Canadian women will have access to nipple-saving surgery.
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Drunk driving charge laid

CRASH A 22-year-old man is accused of impaired driving causing death in a Scarborough crash that killed his passenger last month.

A Honda was heading west on Brimorton Drive, near Ellesmere and Markham roads, on Feb. 13 when it went out of control and struck a hydro pole and a tree.

Police said Ali Amim, 22, of Toronto was charged after toxicology tests were completed.
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Loaders stolen from Brampton

CONSTRUCTION Almost $500,000 worth of skid-steer loaders have been stolen from a Brampton business, prompting police to warn those in the construction industry to be wary if anyone offers to sell them such equipment.

Employees of the Clark Boulevard business discovered the theft of nine brand new loaders Tuesday morning. They were worth $40,000 to $50,000 each. Investigators are warning business owners not to purchase equipment from "nonreputable sources."
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That's what you call an uninvited guest
Two people were taken to hospital with minor injuries after a car drove into a house in Davisville Village yesterday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Tax merger coming

Ontario families earning less than $160,000 a year will get $1,000 from the Liberal government as the province merges its sales tax with the five per cent GST, provincial sources said last night.

The money will be delivered in three separate cheques to help people cope with the change to a single, 13 per cent sales tax that will be formally announced in today's Ontario budget, but will not take effect for at least several months, the sources said.

"Families can use the money to buy something, pay down debt or save it," one source said about the sure-to-be-popular government handouts.

Budget

- Ontario's budget will in many ways mirror what federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty did in January: Going deep into debt to help pay for a massive stimulus package in hopes of getting the economy back on track.

Many items currently exempt from the eight per cent provincial sales tax — diapers, children's clothes, books, and new homes priced under $400,000 — will maintain the exemption, the sources said.

It's not known if the $1,000 and the PST exemptions will be enough to satisfy critics, especially the opposition parties, who say harmonizing will result in another tax hike and another broken promise by Premier Dalton McGuinty.

However, the deal between the federal Conservatives and Ontario's Liberals to harmonize their taxes shows just how dramatically the recession has turned former foes into political and economic allies.

Business groups and the feds have been pressing Ontario for years to harmonize the PST with the GST.

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John Cartwright, head of the Toronto and York Region Labour Council, stands on a large pot yesterday to speak to a crowd. Approximately 200 demonstrators congregated outside the Canada Employment Services office at Dufferin Mall.

EI gets good slamming

As unemployment numbers continue to rise, Toronto workers demanded yesterday the government repair the employment insurance program they say leaves thousands of workers in the cold.

"People have paid into EI all their working lives. Now we are in a recession that might be a depression and the benefits are not there when people most need them," said John Cartwright, head of the Toronto and York Region Labour Council.

"It is an outrage," said Cartwright, surrounded by more than 200 unemployed people outside a Service Canada office at Dufferin Mall. Only one-third of Toronto's unemployed workers qualify for EI, he said.

But in Ottawa yesterday, Diane Finley, human resources minister, said, "Over 80 per cent of Canadians who pay into the EI system are able to collect benefits and they are getting them on time."

In Toronto, a worker must have 595 insured hours to qualify for benefits. Across Canada, that number goes as low as 420 and as high as 700 hours. Workers are calling for a national standard of 360 hours. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

First house stolen, now eviction

FRAUD Police say an impersonator with a forged driver's licence helped steal Lana Morrison's home-ownership title to get a loan.

The imposter then defaulted on payments.

Now, despite a pending fraud trial, a Toronto trust company wishing to recoup its money is trying to evict Morrison and take her house.

The local sheriff has ordered Morrison out within two weeks, along with her 12-year-old son, Tyrone, and Peanut, their pet poodle.

"I don't know what I'm going to do." Lana Morrison

"I don't want to go to a shelter — that would kill me," the single Oshawa mother on a disability pension said yesterday.

"I'm not a rich person. I've got health problems. I don't know what I'm going to do.

"Nobody seems to care that there is a child involved here, that this is his neighbourhood and that his dying grandmother lives around the corner," Morrison said.

Nadia Kelly, 27, Antonia Pasculli, 48, and Christopher Dewsbury, 29, face charges in connection with the case

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News in brief

PROTEST A few dozen farmers brought dead farm animals to the Ontario legislature yesterday as part of a protest to demand restored funding for deadstock collection, warning hasty disposal of carcasses could create a public safety crisis rivalling the Walkerton disaster. The farmers brought four carcasses to protest the end of a $5-million annual subsidy to help them remove dead animals from their properties. They argue they now face the choice of increased deadstock collection fees or having to bury or dump animals on their own property. The government said yesterday it is introducing new rules that will give farmers more choices to safely dispose of their deadstock.

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Not-so happy birthday for York University

York University is hoping to build campus morale today by celebrating its 50th birthday as the school copes with fewer applications, students who are working through May to make up for lost class time due to the recent strike, and reeling endowment coffers. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Bill introduced to protect caregivers

LABOUR Exploitation of foreign caregivers can no longer be tolerated in Ontario, says a Liberal MPP who yesterday tabled a bill that would regulate nanny recruitment agencies.

"The exploitation of vulnerable foreign workers by unscrupulous recruiters cries out for government intervention," said Mike Colle before introducing his private member's bill in the legislature.

The bill calls for the licensing and registration of all foreign-worker and caregiver recruitment agencies and prohibits the collecting of placement fees from foreign workers.

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Vision for waterfront unveiled

Ambitious $350M plan includes fewer traffic lanes, new transit line

Waterfront Toronto's vision for Queen's Quay and the East Bayfront has been eliciting enthusiasm since the winner of an international design competition was unveiled in 2006.

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An artist's rendering of the revamped waterfront.

But the map showing how the lakefront between Spadina Avenue and Parliament Street will be configured was unveiled for public perusal only yesterday.

The scenario being recommended would turn the south side of Queen's Quay into a "linear park," with a wide pedestrian promenade shaded and separated from traffic by aisles of trees. The drawings show streetcars running down the middle of the avenue on a grassy right-of-way — a green touch still under discussion.

The existing four lanes of traffic would be reduced to just two lanes on the north side of the road. It's still not known if those will run westbound, with eastbound traffic diverted to Lake Shore Boulevard, or if there will be a lane in each direction.

The "desperately required" redesign will cost $350 million, including $150 million for a new Harbourfront East transit line. A new underground streetcar entrance to Union Station to serve the eastern end of Queen's Quay is being recommended between Freeland and Cooper streets.

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Protection demanded for workers' severance

RALLY Hundreds of angry demonstrators descended on the Ontario legislature yesterday to demand that the provincial government protect workers' severance pay when companies go under.

Laid-off workers aren't getting the compensation they're entitled to from their deadbeat employers, and it's up to the provincial government to make it right, said labour activist Winnie Ng.

"Workers ... are used, abused and then discarded like a piece of scrap metal."
Winnie Ng, activist

"Workers, particularly immigrant workers, are used, abused and then discarded like a piece of scrap metal, and we're saying that's an injustice," she told the crowd.

Workers are entitled by law to severance and termination pay, she added.

But when auto-parts firm Progressive Molded Products Inc. shuttered its plant north of Toronto last July, the 2,400 non-unionized workers who were thrown out of work didn't get a penny of what they were owed, she said.

Premier Dalton McGuinty said he's sympathetic to the cause, but it's up to Ottawa to rewrite bankruptcy laws to ensure laid-off workers receive the compensation they're owed.

Labour Minister Peter Fonseca said he's lobbied the federal government for changes that would move employees "to the front of the line" under bankruptcy laws. THE CANADIAN PRESS

13 councillors urge wage freeze across the board

SALARIES A group of Toronto councillors calling itself the Responsible Government Group has proposed an across-the-board wage freeze for city staff to lessen the hit on taxpayers.

Peter Milczyn

Instead of a four per cent homeowner tax hike, it could limit the increase to two per cent, the 13-member, mostly right-wing group said yesterday.

"We have to freeze our own salaries," said Coun. Peter Milczyn. "It's not a lot of money but it's important to show that we're prepared to make sacrifices, just as we're asking everyone else to make sacrifices."

The group says its proposed wage and spending restraints would save $86 million, assuming unionized workers went along.

But union leaders have called proposed wage restraints "the wrong remedy for economic ills caused by the current recession."

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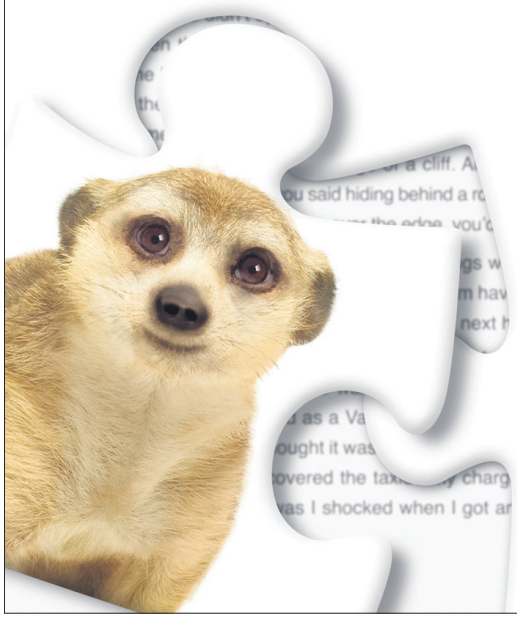

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Second teen dies of overdose

The second of three teenage girls who overdosed on ecstasy this past weekend on Alberta's Paul First Nation has died. Leah House was among a group of girls taken to hospital early Sunday after overdosing on drugs at a wedding celebration. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

N.L. doesn't trust PM

Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Danny Williams, left, said in a provincial throne speech yesterday that his government will not allow Ottawa to speak on the province's behalf on the global stage, adding he's not convinced the federal government has Newfoundland's interests at heart when discussing issues such as foreign trade tariffs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CBC to eliminate 800 jobs

The cash-strapped CBC will axe 800 full-time jobs across the country and slash national TV and radio programming to make up a massive budget shortfall.

Hubert Lacroix, president of the public broadcaster, told employees yesterday the plan for making it through the financial crisis involves coming up with $171 million in savings and selling off $125 million in assets.

He emphasized the CBC will strive to keep local stations open across the country.

"People are the foundation of our success," Lacroix said in a news release.

"We've done, and will continue to do, everything we can to minimize the impact of the situation on our staff. But in a company where 60 per cent of the overall budget goes to salaries, it's simply impossible to bridge a gap of this magnitude without having a major impact on people."

The plan is to cut 393 jobs at the CBC, 336 at Radio-Canada, and another 70 corporate positions.

The layoffs are to begin in mid-May at the earliest, after management assesses how many voluntary retirements it can secure.

All layoffs would be complete by the end of September.

Executive salaries are being frozen, but Lacroix maintained during the call that management bonuses will only be reduced by half — not eliminated — for the next fiscal year.

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A general view of the CBC offices in Toronto yesterday, as the national broadcaster announced planned job cuts. The broadcaster told employees it will cut 800 jobs in an effort to save $171 million.

No silver bullet for broadcasters, regulator tells federal politicians

MEDIA The federal broadcast regulator cautioned politicians yesterday there's no silver-bullet cure for what ails Canadian broadcasters, but the agency is trying to ease the pressure in the short term.

MPs grilled Konrad von Finckenstein, chairman of the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission, on measures he could be taking to help broadcasters struggling to survive the recession.

With local TV stations closing or threatened with closure, MPs of all stripes are feeling pressure from constituents — and seeing outlets for their own publicity disappearing.

Von Finckenstein said the CRTC is prepared to temporarily lower the Canadian content and local programming requirements on private broadcasters in dire straits.

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News in brief

BARBADOS Police in Barbados have laid formal charges against a 24-year-old man accused of the robbery and killing of Terry Schwarzfeld, 60, an Ottawa tourist. Schwarzfeld was vacationing in February when she was robbed and attacked.

HEALTH The Canadian Nurses Association says changes are needed to reduce wait times across the health-care system, going beyond the five areas targeted by the First Ministers a few years ago.

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Ferry captain to get his job back
Colin Henthorne, the captain of a ferry that sank off the coast of B.C., killing two people, will get his job back. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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British MP George Galloway, centre, flashes the victory sign upon his arrival to the Palestinian side of Rafah earlier this month. Canadian immigration officials have banned Galloway from entering the country, but Galloway's lawyers are launching court challenges against the ban.

British MP challenges immigration ban

Lawyers for a controversial British MP banned from Canada are launching a pair of court challenges against the decision.

Supporters of George Galloway say the ban has no legal justification and is a politically motivated attack on free speech.

They say the Conservative government has concocted an allegation that Galloway supports terrorism simply because they disagree with his pro-Palestinian views.

Lawyers for the Scottish-born politician are filing two separate motions in Federal Court: A request for a judicial review of the government's decision; and a demand for an immediate injunction overturning it.

One of his lawyers told a Parliament Hill news conference the government has distorted the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act to suit its political purposes.

The government says the move to bar Galloway was based on the law — not politics.

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Injunction sought

- Lawyers for George Galloway say the full judicial review could take months, while the injunction would allow Galloway to enter Canada next week for a four-day speaking tour in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal.

Canadians blasé over atheist ads on transit systems: Poll

SURVEY Atheist bus ads that proclaim: "There's probably no God, now stop worrying and enjoy your life," provoke a yawn from most Canadians, a new poll suggests. The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey suggests Canadians are largely indifferent, although similar campaigns have sparked anger in Britain and parts of the United States.

Support for the ads was strongest among respondents in British Columbia and Ontario, with the highest opposition in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

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Numbers

- The poll found 32 per cent of respondents opposed the ads, 20 per cent supported them and 43 per cent didn't care one way or the other.

News in brief

TERRITORY France says it will file a letter of intent with the United Nations laying claim to a larger chunk of the Atlantic Ocean seabed for its Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon territory, just south of Newfoundland and Labrador.

QUEBEC Police say the deaths of an estranged couple near Montreal are a murder-suicide. Laval police say Mahmoud el-Hage and his estranged wife, Jinane Ghannoum, were found dead Tuesday afternoon.

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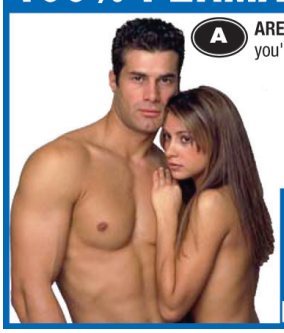

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Memorial for chopper crash victims

The Newfoundland government says a permanent memorial will be created for the 17 people who died in the recent helicopter crash off its coast. Premier Danny Williams made the announcement but did not offer any details on the location or nature of the memorial. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Real time prison time eyed

Federal Tories to take action against two-for-one jail credit

The Conservative government is bringing in legislation to curb the "two-for-one" credit often given to criminals for time spent in pre-trial custody.

"I believe there is widespread support in this country to address this issue," Justice Minister Rob Nicholson told reporters yesterday outside a Conservative caucus meeting.

He hopes to introduce his bill in the Commons tomorrow, and he's challenging opposition parties to fast-track it.

If they're sincere about fighting crime in Canada, said Nicholson, "there should be no problem getting this passed in a day."

The main justification for giving double credit for pre-trial detention has always been that it compensates inmates for so-called "dead time" spent in overcrowded detention centres that lack proper rehabilitation programs. It also makes up for the fact that pre-trial time doesn't count toward eventual parole or other early-release provisions.

Critics argue the concept has been abused by some prisoners who try to stretch their time in pre-trial custody to reduce their overall period behind bars. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Criminal Code

- The Criminal Code has never spelled out a two-for-one ratio for pre-trial time, but many judges accept it as a standard rule of thumb — and some have even given three-for-one credit.

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Conservative MP Christian Paradis looks on yesterday as Minister of Justice Rob Nicholson makes an announcement following a caucus meeting on Parliament Hill in Ottawa.

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Canadian recovery may lag behind U.S., economists say

ECONOMY Canada will fare better but may take longer to emerge from the longest and deepest global recession since the Second World War, says a new analysis from one of the world's leading forecasting firms.

IHS Global Insight economists said any chances the recession will be short-lived are a dream.

"This is the deepest and longest world recession in the postwar era," said Nigel Gault, the firm's chief economist in the U.S.

Gault and Brian Bethune, who presented the Canadian outlook, said the world economy will contract by more than two per cent this year while the U.S. will shrink 3.7 per cent and Canada by 2.5 per cent.

But Canada will fare better than most industrialized countries, significantly better than the U.S. and much better than Japan, which would see a tumble of up to seven per cent this year.

Global Insight differs from Prime Minister Stephen Harper's assertion that Canada will bounce back sooner and higher than most countries, particularly the U.S. In fact, Bethune says Canada may trail the U.S. out of the downturn. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Manitoba hikes tobacco, user fees

BUDGET Manitoba tabled a $12.7-billion balanced budget yesterday that tries to stave off shrinking economic growth by hiking tobacco taxes and user fees to pay for $226 million in new spending.

At a time when most provinces are projecting multi-year deficits, Manitoba is boasting a $48-million surplus. But the province's debt will climb by $861 million after it takes $110 million from its $800-million rainy-day fund. A pack of cigarettes will cost 25 cents more. People will also pay higher speeding fines and hunting and licence fees. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

NOVA SCOTIA A government committee has rejected the findings of two reports that said a sunken barge containing 70,000 litres of diesel fuel poses no risk to the environment off southwestern Nova Scotia. The Shovel Master sank in rough seas south of Yarmouth, N.S., on Nov. 22.

SASKATCHEWAN Natural gas users in Saskatchewan are getting a cut on their energy rates that wipes out a major price increase last fall. The provincial government has approved a new commodity rate for natural gas that will save the average residential customer about $23 per month. Starting in April, SaskEnergy users will pay $5.96 a gigajoule for the commodity. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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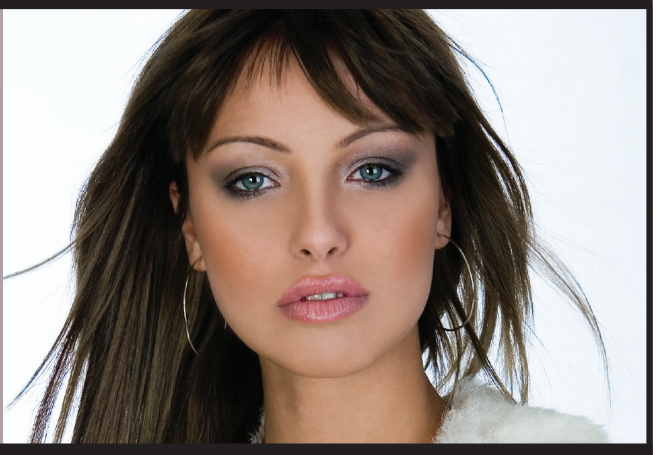

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Teen arrested in radio reporter's death

Police say a teenager has been arrested in the brutal slaying of a veteran New York City radio reporter. New York Police Department spokesman Paul Browne says the 16-year-old suspect "made statements implicating himself" in George Weber's death. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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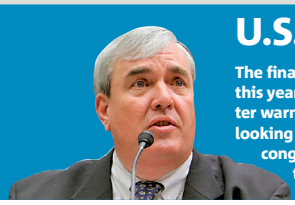

U.S. post office cash-strapped

The financially strapped U.S. Postal Service will run out of money this year without help from Congress, Postmaster General John Potter warned yesterday. The agency lost $2.8 billion US last year and is looking at much larger losses this year, said Potter, who is seeking congressional permission to reduce mail delivery from six days to five days a week. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pentagon questions China's expanding military power

REPORT China is increasing its military power more rapidly and developing "disruptive technologies" that are shifting the military balance in its region and possibly beyond, a new Pentagon report says.

And Beijing continues to develop weapons that threaten Taiwan, even though tensions between the two have been reduced, according to the report released yesterday.

The latest in a series of annual assessments for Congress of China's military power, the report comes in the wake of heightened tensions between the United States and China this month after Chinese vessels harassed a U.S. navy surveillance ship in the South China Sea.

The report adds that China's People's Liberation Army is undergoing a comprehensive transformation into a force that can fight and win short, high-intensity conflicts along its periphery against high-tech enemies. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Technologies

- The Pentagon says China is developing technologies with the potential for nuclear, space and cyber warfare.

Iraq **36 prisoners freed**

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Abud Thameer, centre, celebrates his release from a U.S. military jail with his mother in Baghdad, Iraq, yesterday. The man was one of 36 prisoners released from Camp Bucca.

French labourers lash out

Outrage growing over executive pay, rising unemployment

French workers burned tires, marched on the presidential palace and held a manager of U.S. manufacturer 3M hostage yesterday as anger mounted over job cuts and executive bonuses.

Rising public outrage at employers has been triggered by executives cashing in bonus cheques even as their companies were kept afloat with billions of dollars in taxpayers' money and unemployment soars.

French President Nicolas Sarkozy is threatening new laws on bonuses and golden parachutes while trying to deflect anger against his government's failure to ward off the job losses and economic hardship that comes with recession.

The $4.3-million exit bonus paid to the former head of Valeo SA, an auto-parts maker that received state aid, has fuelled outrage in France. Controversy also grew yesterday over bonuses at brokerage company Cheuvreux, a unit of a French bank that got state handouts.

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Luc Rousselet, the director of 3M's French operations, is seen at the Pithiviers plant, south of Paris, yesterday. He was being held hostage by striking French 3M workers.

Rising public outrage at employers has led to kidnappings, marches and strikes in France, a country with a long tradition of labour unrest.

A French 3M executive was being held hostage for the second day at a plant in Pithiviers, south of Paris, as workers protested layoffs. The situation was calm, however, with labour talks taking place there yesterday.

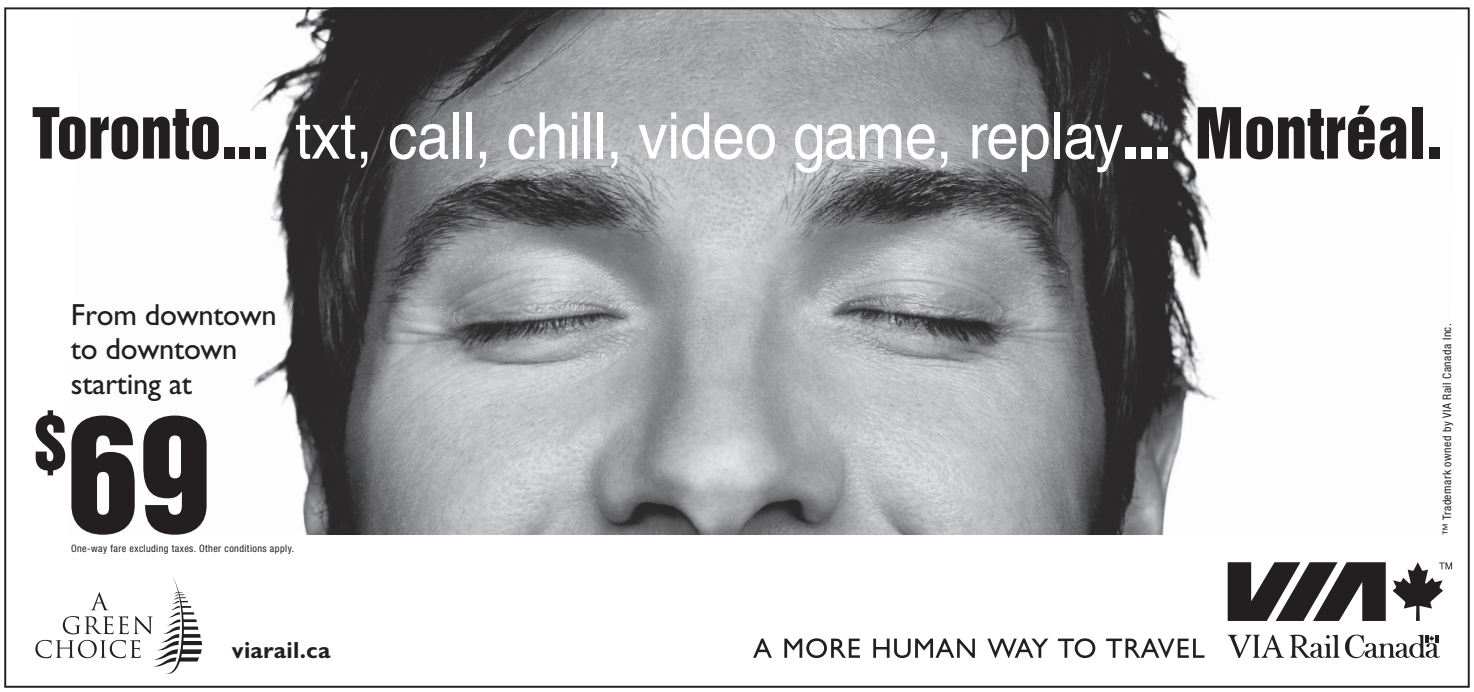
In Paris, rage boiled over into an angry march on the presidential palace and a bonfire of tires set alight by workers from Germany's Continental AG, whose auto parts factory in Clairoix, northeast of Paris, plans to shut down in 2010. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

News in brief

ABANDONMENT New Zealand police charged a woman with abandonment yesterday after she secretly gave birth aboard an international flight and dumped the newborn in a garbage can in the plane's bathroom. Cleaners found a newborn girl still alive amid bloodied paper towels in a toilet trash can.

PAKISTAN A suspected U.S. missile attack killed eight militants including several foreigners yesterday in the stronghold of Pakistan's top Taliban commander, intelligence officials said.

INVESTIGATION U.S. safety investigators say the flight data recorder from last month's deadly air crash near Buffalo, N.Y., shows the plane's stall warning system activated before the accident. They say there was some ice accumulation, but no mechanical problems were found with the plane. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Newborn clouded leopard cubs OK
Born Tuesday, the rare cubs are safe at a Virginia zoo. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Netanyahu wants peace

Incoming Israeli prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu said yesterday his government would be a "partner for peace with the Palestinians."

During his election campaign, the hardline Likud party leader had painted himself as an opponent of peace-making. But facing the prospect of a clash with the new U.S. administration, Netanyahu has been courting moderate coalition partners and tempering his line.

Peace is a "common and enduring goal for all Israelis and Israeli governments, mine included," Netanyahu told an economic conference in Jerusalem.

"The Palestinians should understand that they have in our government a partner for peace, for security, for the rapid development of the Palestinian economy," he added.

> **"The Palestinians should understand that they have in our government a partner for peace."**
> Incoming Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu

Palestinians welcomed Netanyahu's words, but said they must be matched by deeds.

On Tuesday, U.S. President Barack Obama said it was "critical" to advance Palestinian statehood, while acknowledging that it could be hard given the rightward political shift in Israel.

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DANNY LAWSON/AP

A police officer walks past Fred Goodwin's home.

Ex-CEO's home attacked

SCOTLAND Vandals attacked the Edinburgh home of former Royal Bank of Scotland head Fred Goodwin yesterday, smashing windows at the house of the ex-CEO whose $1.2 million U.S. annual pension has prompted public outrage.

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Doomed love on an island of doubt

Relating

"Somebody said they saw you/The person you were kissing wasn't me/And I would never ask you/I just kept it to myself/I don't wanna know/If you're playing me, keep it on the low…" — Mario Winans, I Don't Wanna Know

There are those who would call Winans a pathetic chump, a clod so frightened by what lies in the murky depths of his sordid relationship that he opts to stay in the shallow end, wading blissfully in the serene waters of his own ignorance.

Who, after all, wants to play the sucker while his or her partner dives headfirst into some illicit affair?

But to understand his point is not difficult. There is comfort, undoubtedly, in blinding oneself to the acerbic truths of a rocky relationship, choosing instead to take refuge in some alternate reality where passion is limitless and temptations are wholly eclipsed by an unwavering love usually only articulated by the greatest of poets or the very, very drunk.

On the web

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In this world, word is bond and life is easy. There are no sleepless nights or wandering minds, no red flags or question marks. Worries dissipate with the long exhale of a sigh of relief.

But those who have come here before — to this land where people turn a blind eye to lying, deception and infidelity — know it is not a place where anyone stays for long.

It is a temporary hideout at best; at worst, an open field where salvageable relationships go to die.

With the exception of the truly neurotic and the painfully insecure, an unshakable sense of suspicion is seldom completely without merit. Something in the minds or the hearts of the wise makes them aware of this, and to ignore it is never a good idea.

Of those who pack up and flee, some will be called crazy — and indeed, they may be — but others will have done so knowing there is nothing but doomed love on an island of doubt.

Sorry, Winans.

Andrea Woo is a Vancouver-based news and entertainment reporter. She won this column in a carnival dart game.

Views

Kids shouldn't be involved in tug of war

ModernLife

Once upon a time there was a very brave man with an equally brave ex-wife. Every morning for three years the man ate breakfast at his former home. He and his ex-wife didn't much like each other but they loved their kids.

If you're divorced and share kids, you know these two deserve medals for extreme bravery — if for nothing more than keeping the corn flakes down.

I know previously married women and men who so hate each other they've missed everything from graduations to christenings. Others humiliate non-paying ex-spouses to their children, while some battle issues like summer camp in court, something that makes Toronto judge Harvey Brownstone wild. "I never took a course in law school that told me what camp their kids should go to."

Brownstone's newly published book Tug of War is a great wakeup call for warring parents — they should be handing it out in maternity wards. Brownstone says parents should attend counselling, mediation — whatever it takes to get over their issues. "You have to see someone you hate, who may not have been a good partner, as possibly a good parent."

In fact, with so many divorces, your relationship with your ex, if you have kids, is likely the most important one you'll ever have, but the one for which you'll be the least prepared.

Here's a trick. Ask your kid their favourite thing about your ex and keep that thought in your head. It just may help you get through the most awful relationship you'll ever have.

Or think corn flakes — it truly has been the breakfast of two champion parents.

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Business

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AGF's profit falls in first quarter

INVESTMENTS AGF Management Ltd. says its first-quarter profit fell by 80 per cent due to high loan-loss provisions at its trust division and lower revenue from its investment management operations.

AGF
- AGF is Canada's ninth-largest independent mutual fund operator. It also sells GICs, loans and mortgages.

Chairman and CEO Blake Goldring says the investment management firm is making structural changes to improve efficiency and cut costs. AGF has reduced its staffing levels by 15 per cent and is reviewing its overall compensation plans.

The company said it will maintain its quarterly dividend at 25 cents.

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HudBay looks for new acquisitions

MINING The new chief executive at HudBay Minerals says the company will seek acquisitions and grow internally under new management in the wake of its failed takeover of rival Lundin Mining Corp.

The Toronto-based mining company has been mired in controversy since it unsuccessfully pursued an unpopular takeover of Lundin in November, a deal that collapsed a few weeks ago and led to a change in leadership at the company.

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In brief

POWER New Brunswick's Irving Oil, Canada's largest exporter of gasoline, is now exploring the idea of constructing a power plant to export up to 1,500 megawatts of electricity generated by wind and natural gas to New England.

BEER Moosehead Breweries says the tough economic times are leading to the layoffs of 13 people, including five at its plant in Saint John, N.B. Other affected employees are in Nova Scotia, Ontario and the United States. Five other positions will become vacant in the coming months, the brewer said.

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Turnaround Factory orders rise

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Customers shop for outdoor grills at a Costco store in a suburb of Seattle this week, reflecting an unexpected jump in orders last month to U.S. factories for big-ticket manufactured goods after a record six straight declines. The 3.4 per cent hike was much better than the two per cent fall economists expected.

Hydrogenics trims losses

Says it will weather recession

Hydrogenics Corp. trimmed its losses last year, leading its chief executive officer to say yesterday that he's confident the fuel-cell developer's cost reductions and operational improvements will enable it to weather the economic downturn.

The Toronto-area company reported a loss of $2 million US for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 2008. The results were tightened from a year-earlier loss of $9.5 million.

Revenue for the quarter slipped to $8.9 million from $11.1 million recorded during the corresponding quarter of 2007.

"We have slashed our operating costs and in tandem greatly reduced our ongoing cash burn, putting us on track to break even," said president and chief executive Daryl Wilson.

Hydrogenics said it managed to cut its full-year loss nearly in half, reporting a loss of $14.3 million or 16 cents per share for 2008. The loss was 49 per cent lower than the $28.1 million or 31 cents per share lost the year before.

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Armstrong has surgery

Cyclist Lance Armstrong is recovering from surgery yesterday on his broken collarbone. A steel plate and 12 screws were inserted to stabilize the collarbone, but Armstrong said he still hopes to ride in the Giro d'Italia in May and the Tour de France in July. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

"There is a grave danger ... and that is match fixing ... buying players and referees is what worries me."

UEFA president Michel Platini, left, at the UEFA congress in Denmark yesterday. Platini said match fixing is international soccer's biggest problem. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Raptors play spoiler to Bucks' hopes

NBA RESULT

Bucks 106 **Raptors** 115

VS

THE SKINNY: Andrea Bargnani returned to the Raptors lineup after a one-game absence, scoring 23 points as Toronto won its second in a row for the first time in a month. The loss kept Milwaukee three games behind Chicago for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

THREE-POINT PARTY: Toronto made a season-high 12 three-pointers, including six in a game-changing second quarter. Bargnani, Jose Calderon, Jason Kapono and Anthony Parker all finished with three treys. The Raptors finished the game shooting 50 per cent from beyond the arc.

CONTAINING CHARLIE V: Charlie Villanueva came in averaging 17 points and 7.9 rebounds in nine games against his former team, but was a non-factor last night, shooting 4-for-11 and scoring eight points.

DEFENSIVE EFFORT: Chris Bosh finished with 14 rebounds and Shawn Marion picked up two blocks on one third-quarter possession.

CLOSE BUT NO HALF-MIL: Raptor season-ticket holder Valentin Vidic took a half-court shot for $500,000 at halftime, but his bank shot off the glass clanged the rim. The Etobicoke resident still went home with $6,000 in the BMO promotion for hitting two shots at closer range.

THE NEXT GAME: The Raptors host the Oklahoma City Thunder tomorrow at 7 (TSN, FAN 590). THE CANADIAN PRESS/ METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Chris Bosh grabs a loose ball in front of Milwaukee's Luc Mbah a Moute last night. Bosh pulled down 14 rebounds in the win.

Chan third going into long program

FIGURE SKATING Toronto's Patrick Chan finds himself chasing the field at the world figure skating championships in Los Angeles. The 18-year-old from North York finished third in the short program last night, and trails Brian Joubert of France and Evan Lysacek of the U.S. heading into today's deciding long program. It's just the second time this season the young Canadian hasn't led going into the long program.

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Gerber suspended three games

Maple Leafs goaltender Martin Gerber received an automatic three-game suspension from the NHL yesterday for abusing referee Mike Leggo.

Gerber was tossed with 56 seconds remaining in Tuesday's 3-2 shootout win over the Washington Capitals after he pushed Leggo and shot a puck in his direction.

The actions violated rule 41.4, which calls for an automatic ban.

Gerber was incensed after Brooks Laich's controversial goal made it 2-2. The Capitals forward stuffed the puck under Gerber, prompting the angry Toronto goalie to protest.

Gerber will miss tomorrow's game in Buffalo, Saturday's against Boston and April 1 against Philadelphia.

He's eligible to return April 3 when the Leafs visit the Flyers.

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Martin Gerber confronts referee Mike Leggo Tuesday.

Sports in brief

NBA Kobe Bryant's former housekeeper is suing the NBA star and his wife, contending she was "harassed and humiliated," and forced to quit because of "intolerable" working conditions. Maria Jimenez says in court papers that Vanessa Bryant "badgered, harassed and humiliated" her.

NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell wants the NFL regular season to expand to 17 or 18 games. The league now plays a 16-game season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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How does BIO-FEN PLUS™ *work?*

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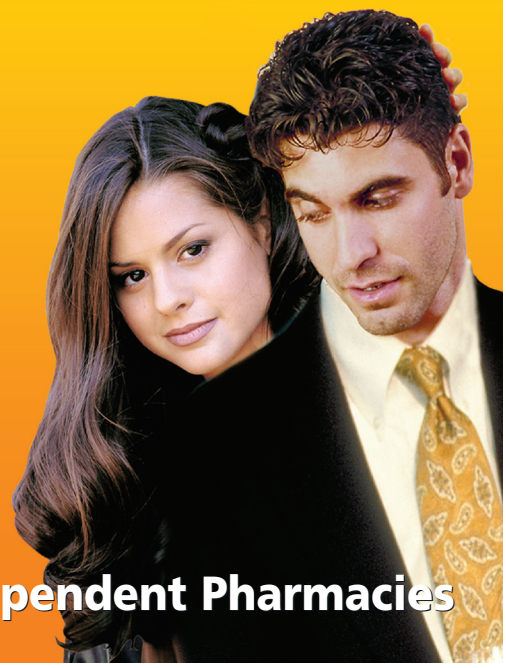

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Grabbo growing up

TheHockeyNews
Ryan Kennedy
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There was a moment in last Saturday's 5-2 victory over Montreal when the Leafs celebrated Jason Blake's game-sealing goal in the third period. The players swarmed the diminutive sniper and as Mikhail Grabovski, who assisted on the marker, joined the fray, Blake looked the centre square in the eyes and let out a celebratory yell.

Grabovski

The duo, who not too long ago were being held apart by teammates in practice, seemed to be enjoying an all-is-forgiven moment.

Since getting his latest wake-up call in that practice scrum (one that saw Jeff Finger hold him by the scruff of the neck while Jamal Mayers chastised him for hitting Blake from behind), Grabovski appears to be a changed young man.

In the past three games, Grabbo has seven points and is once again looking like a deadly weapon for the near future. The best qualities that Grabovski possesses are his speed and his offensive drive.

Against Washington on Tuesday, Grabbo was all over the ice — and that includes on the backcheck. You can tell the young man wants the puck and he can do a lot of things with it when he does.

This is a key on a Toronto team that, right now, does not have a lot of top-end skill on offence.

Once again, the Washington game provides a snapshot — both regulation goals came from defencemen.

But since hooking up with Alexei Ponikarovsky, who has taken both Grabovski and Nikolai Kulemin under his wing, Grabbo is looking solid. He currently sits fourth in team scoring with 42 points, which also puts him tied for third among NHL rookies.

Originally acquired from the Canadiens for a second-round draft pick and prospect Greg Pateryn, Grabovski has certainly had his ups and downs.

Essentially let go by Montreal because it was already too deep down the middle, Grabbo has been roundly booed by the Habs faithful for his feud with fellow Belarussian Sergei Kostitsyn and for the fact he makes no secret of his distaste for the franchise that dumped him.

Of course, the Leafs can thank the Canadiens and their amazing scouting staff for drafting Grabovski in the first place and a cynic might say it had to take another team to find the Leafs an offensively gifted player in the draft. But that's neither here nor there.

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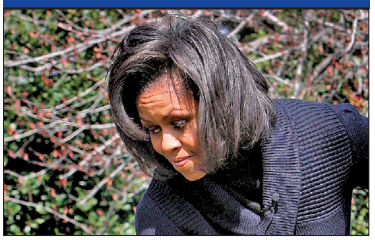

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–BRETT WALTHER

Design

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–BRETT WALTHER

Back in black (basalt)

Waterford Wedgwood resurrects the triumph that launched the career of the world's most famous potter.

The scene

In the 18th century, the designers of the day were quite literally digging up inspiration. The rage for everything neoclassical was ignited by archeological finds at Pompeii and Herculaneum, creating an insatiable demand for decorative objects depicting ancient Greek, Roman and Egyptian figures and motifs. In an attempt to mimic basalt — a stone used in Egyptian statuary — a number of potters in Staffordshire, England, had begun making crude black earthenware vases and tableware known as Egyptian Black.

Enter the inventor

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Select pieces from Martha's own collection are being shown in the "Wedgwood: Artistry and Innovation" exhibition at the Royal Ontario Museum (rom.on.ca) on display until July 5, 2009. –WRITTEN AND PRODUCED BY BRETT WALTHER

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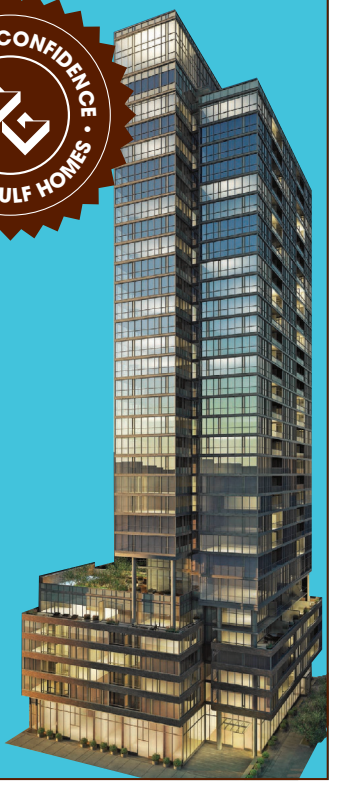

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Suite Talk

BRIAN COULTON
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Like the gemstone they're named after, the Munge Leung-designed Onyx suites have a strong appearance, largely due to their stark contrast between dark and light. White walls, fixtures and furniture intercept the deep brown wenge-like floors and black accents that accentuate a suite's polarity.

"It's really about creating a stunning look that is very striking," said Bourgon, "Given the design of the front lobby, we wanted the model suite to emulate what (the resident's) guests would experience when they come into the front lobby of your building and they come up to your home. It would just be breathtaking and give off such an impression."

Making an impression shouldn't be a problem with the ultra-modern furniture and overall construction of the suites. "We know the target market is very young, urban professional, hip, modern and looking for that kind of flair. The aim was to emulate that, to make it very desirable," said Bourgon.

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Spring cleaning time

HomeScape

As I gaze out my window, I realize I am yearning for spring, for the soft green fuzz on the trees when the leaves start to unfurl, for the greening of grasses in the fields, for the first tender leaves of perennials in my garden.

The only problem is I can't see a thing through my smudged, winter-weary windows.

Which brings me to the topic of spring cleaning. And let me assure you, I'm not normally one of those people who get excited at the prospect of madly scrubbing down the house every spring. But those grimy windows always get to me.

I'll start with the windows, and then be drawn to other areas that have been accumulating dirt.

The problem with spring cleaning is that the urge grows, and leads you to new places to clean and reorganize. Soon you'll want to clean from stem to stern, and to reorganize every drawer and cabinet, so that everything is spotless and perfectly organized.

But those good intentions are often left abandoned, partially finished. It's a big job and it overwhelms. Let's face it, almost every house has places where dirt creeps, where dustbunnies grow and where single socks accumulate. The problem is that, for many of us, there is no end to things that could be cleaned, reorganized, laundered and polished.

To make the job less daunting, try to keep clutter to a minimum year-round. That way, it is easier to clean on a regular basis, minimizing the level of dirt and dust that accumulates before spring cleaning time. And do establish a weekly cleaning routine and perhaps a list of less-frequently needed chores to complete on a monthly basis. That way, you are not stuck with a huge depressing mess when you decide to tackle the winter's dirt.

And when spring rolls around, do yourself a favour and strictly define the scope of the job. Limit yourself to cleaning away the winter from your house. Put away the coats, hats and mittens and for now, tackle mostly the grime associated with wet boots and the accumulated dirt of a season in which we spend more time indoors. And go after those areas that are not part of your weekly cleaning routine.

Finally, do only what you think is important and not what your Aunt Zelda insists should be done. Spring cleaning is all about welcoming the sunny season with open arms. Here is my list which you may embrace, use partially, or not at all.

1. Launder and put away winter clothing. (But wait till the winter has definitely departed.)

2. Clean those windows and let the glorious sun shine through.

3. Put on your favourite music and do one room at a time:

- Start from the ceiling and work down. Dust the ceiling and ceiling fan, if you have it, the corners between the ceiling and walls and spot clean any dirt on the wall, cabinets and the backsplash in the kitchen;
- Wipe down switchplates, door knobs and do not forget to wipe air vents;
- Wipe baseboards and the corners of the floor. Pay special attention to closet areas where winter coats and boots were stored;
- If dirty, spot clean rugs or carpets or have them cleaned;
- Dust art and wipe with a slightly moistened cloth the frames and glass covering pictures or photos;
- Also wipe down lamp bases and dust shades, and any knick-knacks;
- Vacuum upholstered furniture and if dirty, spot clean;
- Gently wipe or take down light fixtures and carefully wash and dry before replacing;
- Take down curtains and drapes and dust curtain rods and hardware. Launder curtains and drapes or have them cleaned, and wipe down blinds. Also wipe down window frames and sills, and then replace the window treatments.

Stick to your goals when cleaning your house for the spring.

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Status certificate's role in condo refinancing

LegalMatters

Q I am refinancing my condo at a great interest rate and the bank has approved the new amount but my lawyer is requesting that I obtain a status certificate from the condo corporation. What is this and why do I have to incur this $100 cost?

A A status certificate is an important document issued by the condominium corporation under section 76(1) of the Condominium Act of Ontario that certifies a variety of items with respect to your condo such as if you are up to date in the payment of your common expenses, if there are adequate reserve funds to address any unforeseen large repairs that need to be done, if there are any plans to increase the condo fees, if the condo corporation is involved in any legal proceedings or has a judgment against it, just to mention a few. It is required that your lawyer review this certificate and the accompanying condominium documents to make sure that everything is as it should be. This is especially important when you are purchasing a condo and is usually one of the conditions written into the offer to be satisfied prior to proceeding with the transaction.

Why then would you have to obtain one if you are refinancing, because presumably you would know most of this information through condo meetings and information provided by your board of directors? Well, herein lies another one the peculiarities of real estate law. When your lawyer drafts your new mortgage to be placed on title, they are ensuring by way of instruction from the bank and reporting back that you have good and clear title to the property. The bank wants to make sure that its' collateral (your home) is not compromised by any outside sources. In this capacity, your lawyer is acting dually and should point this out to you at the time of signing.

So, in reality, although it seems like your lawyer is complicating and increasing the cost of the refinancing process by requesting a status certificate, in fact, they are just following instructions from the bank: Without which there would be no final funds forwarded.

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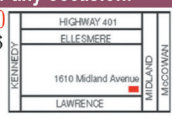

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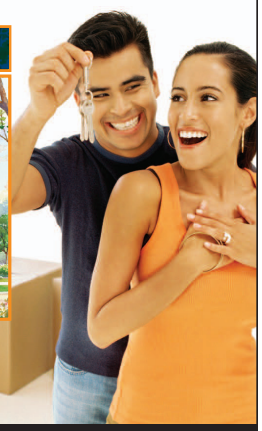

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Making your home eco-friendly

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From solar-powered garden lights to patio furniture made from recycled plastics, living green at home is easier, and cheaper, than you may think.

"Living an eco-friendly lifestyle doesn't have to cost a lot of money and it can actually save you money while saving the environment," said Kate Dobrucki, a spokesperson for the Designs for Living Home & Garden Show.

Creative eco-friendly options start outdoors with recycled patio furniture, produced from the husks of plastic milk, juice and water bottles. The furniture looks pretty snazzy, is as strong as regular patio furniture and weathers exceptionally well, making it a great way to have an eco-friendly backyard.

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Kate Dobrucki, from the Designs for Living Home & Garden Show

Rain barrels placed below the gutters from your roof can let you save hundreds of gallons of rain water for watering your lawn rather than letting it wash over your driveway or sink into the soil near your foundation.

For things like garden lights, why bother paying to power them at all when you can let nature do it for free? Solar-powered garden lights can let you enjoy an outdoor evening on your patio without having to flip a switch.

"During the day when the sun is out, the lights collect sunlight and then in the evening you can have your garden lit up with no electricity required," Dobrucki said.

As for in-home energy saving solutions, Dobrucki says many are actually a lot easier to do than people think.

Most modern thermostats let you turn down your heat when you're not at home so make sure to replace yours with a programmable one to help you save energy.

Incorrectly placed insulation can make a big difference in energy costs as well, Dobrucki says, so consulting an expert to see if there are key places where you need to add more or rearrange your current insulation more efficiently can be beneficial and initial home inspections are often free.

That ancient second fridge in the basement is an energy hog as well, wasting up to $120-$150 every year in energy costs and often filled with questionable remnants of long-forgotten food. It's a good idea to take a look at whether the scraps you're keeping in your second fridge are truly worth running up your energy bill.

"How much of that food is freezer-burned, how long has it been sitting there and are you going to actually eat it?" Dobrucki said.

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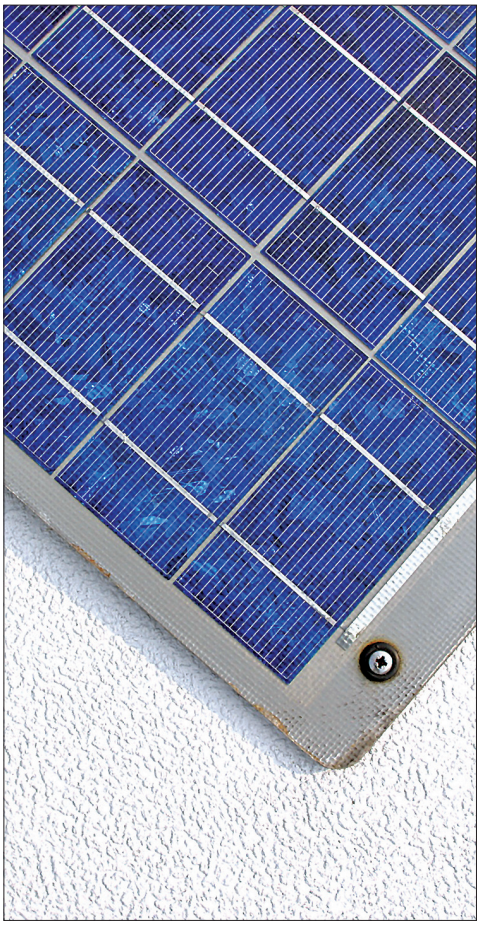

While these solar panels may not be feasible for the average home, solar powered garden lights are — and they can light up your garden at night for free once you buy them.

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The market, she is a turnin'

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There are countless theories that the sun, and the seasons, have a tremendous impact on the emotions of our species. It seems that with the turn toward spring, and the promise of warmer days ahead, the panic in the market has significantly decreased. No longer are listings being splattered against the MLS in a desperate hope to beat out some pending Armageddon. No longer are home owners feeling coerced into selling immediately. Does all this mean that happy days are here again? Well, no. Not exactly.

While the countrywide, continent-wide, recession remains a serious hindrance, and while I do believe that in our market sector the real estate market will be the first to rise from the ashes, I don't yet believe that time is upon us. What is upon us is imminent stabilization in the best parts of the GTA.

One of the indicators I'm fortunate enough to have at my disposal is the length of time it takes me to successfully sell an above average condo, in Downtown or North York. Priced at the higher end of fair market value, but still fair enough for the buyer. A commonplace occurrence from 2007-2008 has resurfaced. In the past few weeks two condos of mine have been successfully listed, marketed and sold, within the span of 48 hours. That is a very real, down to earth, sign that consumer confidence, at least in certain segments of the market, is on the rise. Rise in consumer confidence is smoke, and stabilization is the fire. Of course the return to warmer temperatures is a contributing factor, but the level of change in the market, in my humble opinion, cannot be attributed to just Mother Nature dawning her light spring jacket alone.

To be perfectly clear, again, by no means am I suggesting that the market has made the 180. However, the reality is that condos and houses that would have remained on the market for several weeks, perhaps months, are now selling in a relatively shorter timeframe. Why? Confidence is up. Panic is down. It is just as important to understand that the prices we're talking about remain significantly lower than those of one or two years ago.

So, what does this mean for Buyer Erica? It means that she may realize that being prepared to move fast is becoming important once more. Chances are the home she finds suitable, especially if Erica is looking for that model type home, will not last for a few weeks, as it may have a few months ago. If she felt she could afford to not sort out her finances prior to the actual offer's conditional period before, now she may want to revisit that notion. Depending on the expertise of her realtor, she may choose to accept a slightly higher bottom-line price, if she likes the home that much, because the chances of finding a "better deal" are not just as high as they were a few months back.

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Seller Mike should understand, even better now, that he's certainly not in a position where he must sell. There is no severe market crash on the horizon. The stock market and the real estate are just two totally different animals. Mike may choose to dress his home up with the aid of a staging company because the times of multiple offers, while not present, are not as far off as many think. Properly listing and marketing a home can finally attract a better dollar again, whereas a few months ago the buyers dictated the ultimate sale prices much more exclusively.

Having said all of that, make no mistake, there are still valuable "deals" available. In no way are prices on the rise — prices have stopped dropping into a bottomless pit. For instance, there are two properties currently not on the market, but available, which can be had for what I would conservatively consider $40,000 below fair market value, in the range of $350,000. The vast majority of A-class condos in Downtown remain seven to 10 per cent below 2007-2008 levels. In some cases more. Homes in some of the GTA's finer suburbs also continue to share those percentages. The point to be taken away from all this is, if you've been waiting for the bottom to fall out of the barrel, you may want to consider waiting no longer. Happy Spring and Happy Hunting!

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Vegetable gardening is not a dark science, nor the stuff of incantations and secretive weeding on moonless nights. But it does take a little planning.

How to start your own vegetable garden

So you'd like to follow Michelle Obama's lead and start your own vegetable garden (see facing page)?

With just a little planning, having a kitchen garden can be rewarding and fun, especially for people new to the hobby. Here is a strategy that can help get you growing:

• Start by involving the entire family and deciding what it is you want to eat. What veggies are your favourites? Which would be easiest to grow?

"You can dream all you want about olives and figs, but if you live in northern Minnesota, it's not going to happen. But that's OK. The reality is you can grow a variety of things, no matter where you live," said Roger Doiron, a home garden advocate involved in the campaign to convert a small patch of the White House's South Lawn into an organic vegetable garden.

• Buy the necessary tools and seeds, pots and compost and plants. Some supplies are remarkably cheap.

• Determine the best time to get your plants into the ground.

Find out when the threat of the last killing frost has passed. Familiarize yourself with how long it will take to transform seeds to table fare. You can turn to fellow gardeners about the best crops and varieties to grow, and when it's best to grow them in your area.

• Sketch a layout of your ideal garden plot.

Start small, especially your first time out. You always can enlarge the garden or plant succession crops, which are follow-up vegetables that will mature before season's end.

• Garden location is as important as size.

Do your growing in a place that gets a full day's sun or, at minimum, six hours. It also should be sheltered from the wind and within reach of your kitchen door.

• Buy some starter soil and spread it liberally over the growing area, at least 20 centimetres deep for vegetables.

Gardens can be cultivated on bare ground, in raised beds or in containers. Look for commercially bagged soils containing a slow-release fertilizer.

If it's organic production you want, then spread generous quantities of mulch over the topsoil. "Mulch serves many purposes in the garden, including keeping weeds down, reducing your water bill and adding fertility to the soil as it decomposes," Doiron said.

• Read the directions carefully on seed packets or seedlings about how closely plants should be spaced. Leaf lettuce can withstand some crowding. Tomatoes need about 60 centimetres between the hills. Pumpkins require about 120 centimetres.

• Keep detailed records so you can duplicate your successes and avoid your failures next planting season.

"If you are interested in doing something more ambitious, try working some flowers, vegetables, fruits and herbs into your garden plan," Doiron said. "It not only will look nicer but it will help make your garden less vulnerable to pests and disease." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Start your own garden by getting together with your family and deciding what you would like to grow, and researching what vegetables work best in your climate.

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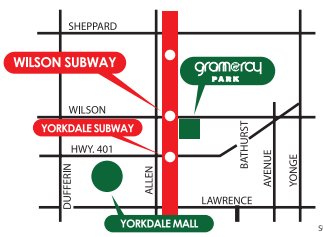

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Ground broken for Obama's garden

Twenty-six elementary schoolchildren wielded shovels, rakes, pitchforks and wheelbarrows to help first lady Michelle Obama break ground for a produce and herb garden on the White House grounds.

Crops will be planted in the coming weeks on the 102-square-metre, L-shaped patch near the fountain on the South Lawn. Around the garden will also be a beehive.

"We're going to try to make our own honey here as well," Obama told the students from Bancroft Elementary School in Washington. The school has its own community garden.

The students will be brought back to the White House next month to help with the planting, and after that to help harvest and cook some of the produce in the mansion's kitchen. The first harvest is expected by late April.

Obama said her family has talked about planting such a garden since they moved to the White House in January.

After she spoke, the students were paired off and handed a gardening tool. The first lady joined, with a tool of her own, and together they began raking and scraping up the grass and topsoil, dumping it into wheelbarrows and depositing the contents in a central location.

"Are we done yet?" Obama jokingly said at one point. "I want to plant. Let's harvest something."

When the work was finished, the students sat at three nearby picnic tables and were treated to apples, apple cider and cookies baked in the shape of a shovel.

Some of the produce from the garden will be served in the White House, including to the First Family and at official functions. Some crops also will be donated to Miriam's Kitchen, a soup kitchen near the White House where Obama recently helped serve lunch.

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What's growing?

- Crops that will be planted include spinach, broccoli, various lettuces, kale and collard greens, assorted herbs and blueberries, blackberries and raspberries.

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First lady Michelle Obama takes part in the groundbreaking of the White House Kitchen Garden on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington last Friday with students from Washington's Bancroft Elementary School.

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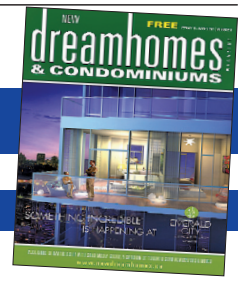

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Time to buy on the Kingsway

Spring may be in the air but for The James Club team, there hasn't been any time to stop and smell the roses.

"We have been incredibly busy in the sales department with an influx of sales since January," says Jacqueline Storino, sales and marketing manager for The Princess Group. "Couple that with construction being underway, and we have our hands full and we're loving every minute of it!"

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Some famous people from Pickering
Sean Avery, NHL forward, currently plays for the New York Rangers; Ernie Coombs, better known as Mr. Dressup, resided in Pickering; Perdita Felicien, Athens 2004 Olympic 100m hurdler, and Neil Young, who spent part of his early years in Pickering. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Leaving T.O. for a lakefront life

Pickering boasts beautiful Frenchman's Bay

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

Considering the visible landscape at the corner of Liverpool Road and Bayley Street in Pickering, a visitor's inference of the city as just another big box residential area with an anti-Toronto attitude wouldn't be surprising.

A Home Depot in one corner, a mega-mall in another and a shopping plaza in a third, matched with cars and trucks whizzing by, should equal stereotypical suburbia. But if you cut corners and look outside the box, you'll find the sparkling pivot of Pickering.

The Greater Toronto Area city was established in 1974 and now boasts a population just shy of 90,000. While bordered by rural communities Whitevale, Brougham and Claremont to the north, Pickering's appeal lies in its southern scenery.

Heading south on Liverpool Road, glimpses of shimmering Lake Ontario catching the sun's rays are delightfully unavoidable. Like a light at the end of the tunnel, descending the street is like going from night to day. After the highway hustle follows a quaint collection of homes, many resembling cottages with antiquated white picket fences and country ornaments.

Before reaching the water, sidewalks turn to brick in Frenchman's Bay Village around the newer homes and shops with beach-like uniform construction, setting an introductory summer tone to the waterfront. The district divides residential from commercial, the latter lining the main Liverpool Road.

A veritable mercantile mashup, this strip of shops features everything from an accountant's office and insurance broker to the Hy-Tea restaurant and a tattoo parlour.

But beyond the variety sits simplicity when you approach Beachfront Park on Lake Ontario.

One might opt to try their line at fishing in the adjacent Frenchman's Bay, also home to tens of stationary yachts with membership in the Frenchman's Bay Yacht Club.

Strolling along the waterfront boardwalk, you'll find company alongside joggers, dog walkers and parents with children romping on the playground equipment nearby. At the end of the promenade is Peake Trail, one of several in the area.

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Green

- Pickering offers more than 50 parks, parkettes and conservation areas.

Part of the scenery and living quarters of Pickering's lakefront.

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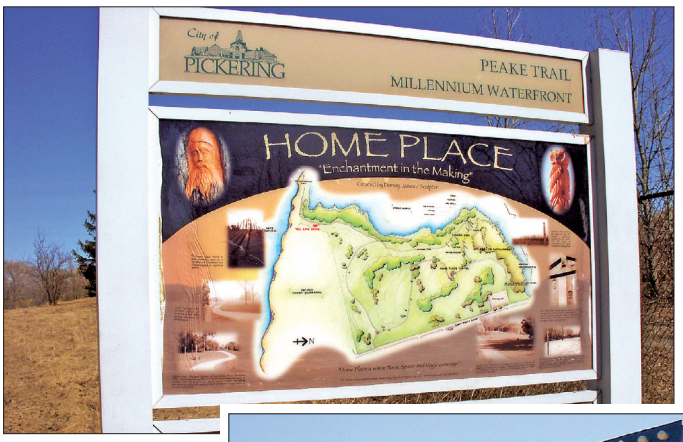


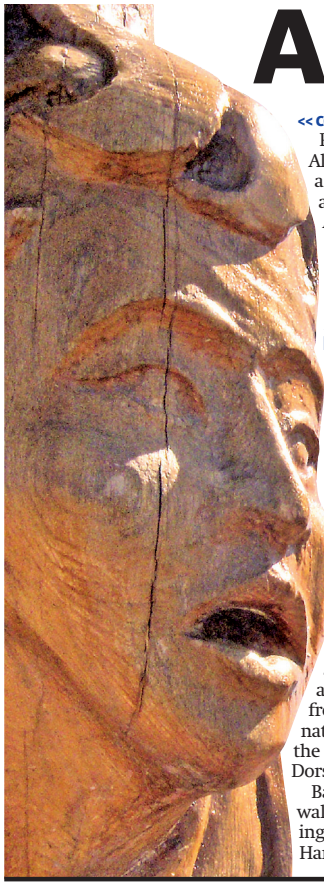
Best in town

- **BEST BURGERS: THE BIG M AT LIVERPOOL RD & KROSNO BOULEVARD** (right). A homemade 7 oz. beef patty with all the fixings costs $3.99, or $7.99 with fries and a pop. Herbivores can enjoy a sturdy veggie burger at $4.39.
- **BEST FEST: ARTFEST ON THE ESPLANADE — MAY 23, 2009.** More than 80 Ontario artists and artisans join together at Esplanade Park each year for this outside sale and show, with live music, dance and drama in the gazebo. Free admission.

Top: North America's once-largest wind turbine found near the Pickering nuclear plant. Middle: The plaque for the city's Peake Trail. Bottom: The Big M's sign, called the best burgers in town.

Famous in film
The Canadian television show Paradise Falls' first season was filmed in the village of Whitevale, near Pickering, as was David Cronenberg's Dead Zone. METRO NEWS SERVICES

A city full of community



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Peake Trail leads to Alex Robertson Park, a quiet, wooded area beside North America's once-largest wind turbine at the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station.

Art from old hydro poles

Though the out-of-place plant proffers to spoil its picturesque surroundings, it's quickly forgotten when you approach old neighbouring hydro poles that have been recycled into art. A large owl, baby fetus and array of unknown visages, among other characters, now find refreshing homes in nature, whittled into the wood by sculptor Dorsey James.

Back on the boardwalk, driftwood-hunting friends Helen Harkin, who has lived in Pickering for 11 years, and Helen Rogers, a 30-year Scarborough ex-pat who's lived here for six, enjoy their routine morning walk. "Living close to the water is really great!" says a smiling Rogers. "We love Pickering. And although we're a distance from Toronto, it's so convenient and so easy to get there. (We) just hop on the GO Train right beside us."

Pickering clocks about 40 minutes, driving time, east of Toronto. The distance may not be too far a jaunt for the Helens, but Rogers notes her younger son wouldn't live anywhere else but the Big Smoke's Beaches. Harkin suggests Pickering caters more to an older demographic, nearing or in retirement. Still, the pair touts the Pickering Recreation Complex as a place they both enjoy a swim, but that's appropriate for all ages.

With both membership and pay-as-you-go options available, the facility provides space for squash, tennis, raquetball and acquatics and has an affiliated wellness spa and exterior skate board park.

Sports summer camps and a youth drama club are sure to peak kid interest, while belly dancing and photography courses might be more mom and dad's cup of tea (yes, it also hosts afternoon tea).

Keeping cultural

The Pickering Recreation Complex is just one block east of the Pickering Town Centre mall, located downtown. Although Pickering's commercial core tends to focus more on necessary larger and franchise retailers, culture isn't totally absent from the area. The Central Library borders the mall and it's only 10 minutes north, by car, to the area's feted Pickering Museum Village, an assortment of 15 heritage buildings that have been restored for preservation, that holds educational tours.

Local bus driver Linda advises a Pickering trip is incomplete without sampling a burger from The Big M, a staple since 1965. Inside, one animated employee jovially assures, "You got it baby, you got it!" as orders are placed.

Employee Vicky, a 10-year Pickering resident, says she loves the feeling of community in her city she didn't sense in surrounding ones. "When we came into Pickering, it was like 'Come on in!'" she says, arms outstretched.

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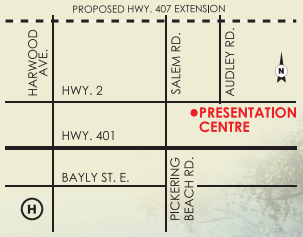

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Style

Put your green foot forward

Starting next month, Payless ShoeSource stores across Canada will sell fresh green fashions at affordable prices. Their newest line, Zoe & Zac, offers on-trend footwear and accessories averaging about $50 per item. The line features eco-friendly materials such as organic cottons and linen, natural hemp, recycled outsoles and eco-smart packaging. From the Zoe & Zac collection is the Tigerlily Espadrille Wedge, left, $44.99. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Giving garments a second life

Sustainable fashion is the future, say eco-friendly designers

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for Metro Canada

The fashion gods are all clear about one thing — clothes are designed to make people look good.

But, what if looking good can also be eco-friendly? That's a concept some designers have embraced in recent years, but it's yet to envelop mainstream.

Eco-friendly clothes are sustainable and recyclable, in that something that was once a throwaway can now be turned into something new. "Sustainable clothing is a movement away from fashion as a disposable commodity," says Canadian designer Kim Munson, founder of Nova Scotia-based Orphanage Clothing. "In the case of Orphanage, one that is extending the life of used textiles."

But, this concept is not entirely applicable to vintage clothing; it's also about not using synthetic fibers, which do not decompose. "Big box retail leads to the consumption of fashion, which in turn leads to more discarded clothing, which ends up in the landfills," Munson explains.

"My biggest thing with sustainability is that it's not a trend, it's very common and it's the future," says Julia Grieve, founder of Preloved, the store and fashion label that creates one-of-a-kind clothing from reclaimed vintage fabrics. Grieve began her career as a model and then started Preloved in 1995. Along the way, she also worked as a fashion editor and writer, and has made appearances on television shows, such as Diva on a Dime and Project Runway Canada season two.

"You get the people who get freaked out that the dress they just purchased was once a trench coat worn by someone else."
Kim Munson, founder of Orphanage Clothing

"I always call myself the accidental environmentalist," Grieve laughs. "We were doing all this good without even knowing it. In one season, we'll recycle over 80,000 sweaters just to produce our sweater collection."

Grieve says their line is fashion-forward, with attention paid to style and detail. "Our line is always based on fashion first…the sustainable side is just the cherry on the top."

Munson, who actually worked at Preloved when she was fresh out of design school, calls the store the "grandfather" of the sustainable clothing method in Canada.

Her own clothing line was founded in 2003, and can be summed up as "edgy street wear" that is timeless and with a flawless cut. Munson always had an affinity for changing up her clothing. Her mother had a clothing line as well, while her grandmother made clothes out of unwanted garments. "You could say it runs in the family," she explains.

Munson says most people think that sustainable clothing lacks in quality and style. But that misconception most always turns into a pleasant surprise. "You get the people who get freaked out that the dress they just purchased was once a trench coat worn by someone else," she says.

Grieve agrees. She says people are often over-the-top when they find out that a dress Preloved designed is made from two different pairs of old trousers and two curtains. "Oh my god, it is so cool," customers often say to her.

While the clothing is eco-friendly, it does cost more to make fashion from reclaimed clothing. "There is a deconstruction phase that happens first. It's a whole other phase that doesn't happen when you're just using regular fabric," says Grieve.

But both Grieve and Munson say that their lines are affordable for the everyday consumer.

LEFT: Issa (skirt), $139, Preloved.

Men's button down long sleeve, $89, Orphanage Clothing.

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Toronto's Preloved store (881 Queen St. W.) sells clothing made from reclaimed vintage fabrics. Pictured dress: $199.

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Pantene's new face
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Together again

This season unites handbags and shoes

Handbag, meet your long-lost sibling, footwear.

A pair that makes a strong statement: Spring's Highlandsranch shoe, $39.99 and Brech clutch, $24.99. Visit myspringshoes.com for more details.

It's been a long time since shoes and bags have paired up in matching colours and materials. But this spring, the two are about to be re-acquainted, trotting out together harmoniously as a perfectly matched set.

Back in 1997, a little bag named the Fendi Baguette struck out on its own and became a sensation, a move that sparked the phenomenon of the "It" bag.

Soon other designer bags were doing solo shows with oversized logos, heavy hardware and a riotous mix of gewgaws. Suddenly every season, there seemed to be a new "It" bag. And designers and retailers quickly learned that this exciting, sexy category gave new meaning to the phrase "moneybags," as it filled company coffers. Shoes were, well, left trailing behind.

Helping to widen the gap between shoes and bags was a weekly fashion "magazine" called Sex and the City, a show that celebrated maximalist fashion — clothes and accessories that revelled in a mix-it-anywhich-way and pile-it-all-on exuberance. It sparked a way of dressing in which no one wanted anything that even remotely matched. It looked modern and showed confidence to play mixmaster.

Then came the backlash against "It" bags. Customers grew tired of the rapid turnover, the exorbitant prices and the scarily authentic-looking knock-offs. As fashion went looking for the next "It" thing, shoes stepped forward from the wings like an understudy waiting for a moment in the spotlight.

And what a performance it was. In the past year, shoes rose to outlandish heights, figuratively and literally.

The slowing economy expedited the trend away from all this exuberance. In just the past few months, the world has become a different place. And fashion has realized that a single outfit can only support so many outrageous accessories.

So, as we enter more frugal times, the pendulum is swinging back to looks that are polished, pulled together and co-ordinated for today's sober reality.

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Rock 'n' roll soles

Latest Converse designs feature music imagery

SOFI PAPAMARKO
for Metro Canada

With the release of its spring collection, Converse has revealed its decidedly rock 'n' roll soles.

The brand's latest designs, hailing from its Music Collaboration Collection, feature imagery from some of the great heavyweights of Brit-rock, including The Who, Pink Floyd and metal god-turned-reality-television-star Ozzy Osbourne.

Additionally, Converse commissioned a number of artists and musicians — Lupe Fiasco and U2's The Edge among them — to custom-design a shoe to benefit Product RED (joinred.com).

Fiasco's bilingual shoe plays off the look and feel of newsprint, while The Edge's contribution is an op-art study of geometry as inspired by the points and angles of the Converse star logo. Both limited edition styles are available for purchase beginning this month and all proceeds will go towards Bono's Global Fund.

The Converse Music Collaboration Collection has previously paid homage to Black Sabbath, The Doors and The Grateful Dead.

But what, exactly, is the connection between footwear and music?

"At some point, every rock singer and musician has worn Chucks," explains Patrick Kavanagh, director of sales and marketing for Converse Canada.

"When you put on Chucks, they make you feel free."

Indeed, Chuck Taylors have often been the footwear of choice for noteworthy musicians. The iconic canvas sneaker has outfitted everyone from Kurt Cobain to Phil Collins, from Tom Petty and Joan Jett to Jason Mraz. Invented nearly 100 years ago as basketball shoes, Chuck Taylors (nicknamed for the athlete who eventually espoused them) are the antithesis of trendy, high-priced footwear. The shoe's casual low-maintenance comfort speaks to certain lifestyles.

The Ozzy Osbourne design features doodles of the Ozman as both an angel and a devil ($80 - $130). The Pink Floyd shoes showcase album art from Animals, Wish You Were Here and Dark Side of the Moon ($70 - $80) and the shoes that pay homage to The Who have distinctly mod sensibilities, featuring the Union Jack and red, white and blue bullseye logos ($70 - $90).

"At some point, every rock singer and musician has worn Chucks"

Patrick Kavanagh, director of sales and marketing, Converse Canada

RIGHT: Converse Chuck Taylor The Who British Flag High-Top, $90.

ABOVE: Converse PRODUCT (RED) Chuck Taylor 100 Edgez Of A Star High-Top by The Edge, $80.

ABOVE: Converse Chuck Taylor The Who Jump High-Top, $80.

RIGHT: Converse Chuck Taylor The Who Logo Oxford, $70.

LEFT: Converse PRODUCT (RED) Chuck Taylor 100 Suplementaire High-Top by Lupe Fiasco, $100.

Where to buy

- The limited edition Chucks are available at Little Burgundy and various independent retailers nationwide. Check out converse.com or call 1-800-387-9550 for more information about where to buy in your city.

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Canada caters to curves

In Cheri Milaney's list of 10 fashion commandments, Love Thy Muffintop ranks right up there.

The Vancouver fashion designer, who caters to curves, is on a mission to help women celebrate their bodies, bulging midriff and all.

At Toronto Fashion Week, she was the only designer to show samples in size 14, which is actually the average fit for Canadian women.

"I'm hoping we're going to change people's perceptions," Milaney says. "I'm hoping the industry will start taking notice and have some realistic expectations of what beauty should be."

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Cheri Milaney design.

In brief

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Food

The main syrup-producing trees are sugar maples, red maples and silver maples.

BARB HOLLAND/FOR METRO CANADA

One tree
During the maple sugaring season an average tree yields between 35 and 50 litres of sap, this will produce between 1 and 1.5 litres of maple syrup.

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Secret's in the syrup

À la carte

Barb Holland
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It's finally spring and that heralds many things — shedding heavy clothing for one, and celebrating maple syrup season for another.

Canada produces about 85 per cent of the world's maple syrup and sells to nearly 45 countries. The majority comes from Quebec, by far the world's largest producer, with about 75 per cent of world production. Ontario, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia produce smaller amounts. Vermont is the largest U.S. producer along with other northeastern states.

Maple syrup is graded as: Canada #1: Extra Light, Light and Medium (for table use); Canada #2: Amber (stronger flavour, ideal for cooking), Canada #3: Dark (for commercial use only).

Beyond pancakes and waffles, maple syrup is tasty in many things, as these squares will attest. Be sure to buy Canadian and check the label says pure maple syrup.

Maple Walnut Oat Squares

Other nuts can be used in place of walnuts or add dried cranberries or raisins if you prefer. Makes 18 squares.

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INGREDIENTS:
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) butter
- 1 cup (250 ml) pure maple syrup
- 2 cups (500 ml) rolled oats
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) chopped walnuts
- 1 egg, lightly beaten

METHOD:
Line a 9-inch (23-cm) square baking pan with a parchment paper sling (a few inches of paper hanging over two ends). Spray the other 2 sides with non-stick cooking spray. Preheat oven to 375°F (190°C).

In medium saucepan, bring butter and maple syrup to a boil over medium heat, stirring constantly. Continue cooking for 3 minutes.

Remove from heat and stir in oats, walnuts and egg, mixing well. Spread evenly in prepared pan. Bake 20 to 25 minutes, or until lightly browned.

Cool 10 minutes or wire rack. Run a thin metal spatula around edges. Use the parchment paper overhanging ends to lift the entire slab to a wire rack to cool completely. Cut into squares. Refrigerate, if desired, to firm up.

Tips:
- Store maple syrup in the refrigerator.
- During the growing season, maple trees accumulate starch. With the spring thaw, enzymes change this starch into sugar, which mixes with the water absorbed through the roots, imparting a slightly sweet taste. Maple sap contains water (about 97 per cent), minerals, organic acids and a mild maple flavour. In early March, the sap starts to run for about six to eight weeks.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.

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Truth be told, organic booze takes up more grey area on the shelf than it does green. The problem is standards.

International regulations as to what really constitutes an organic product vary considerably; with consumers and retailers alike using the term to cover just about anything with a flower on the label.

When it comes to wine there are very few made with one hundred per cent organic juice. The grapes may be organically grown (using biodynamic farming methods and no chemicals in the vineyard) but there can still be limited artificial stabilization used during the actual winemaking.

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Peter Rockwell is the everyman's wine writer, working in the liquor industry for more than 25 years and travelling the globe looking for something to fill his glass and put into words.

In brief

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Glastonbury almost cancelled

Glastonbury was almost cancelled for being "too big, too muddy and too horrible." Michael Eavis — who founded the popular music event — has revealed the British festival was nearly scrapped after acts complained it had become too commercial. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Entertainment

Newly Swingle

Cameron Diaz is set to star in Swingles. She is in final talks to star in the upcoming romantic comedy as a sharp-tongued woman opposite a male rival, who is still to be cast. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

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Alberta Ballet creating show based on Elton John songs

Elton John

THEATRE Two years after teaming up with songstress Joni Mitchell to create an antiwar show based on her music, the Alberta Ballet is collaborating with another music legend.

The dance company announced a partnership with pop icon Elton John to stage a "contemporary semi-abstract ballet" that features his hits and portrays his "challenges and triumphs."

The show is being created by the ballet's artistic director, Jean Grand-Maitre, who also staged Mitchell's production, The Fiddle and the Drum.

"I was enthralled and inspired with The Fiddle and the Drum and I am looking forward to seeing what Jean and the Alberta Ballet will create with my music," John said in a release. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Rocking Mother Earth

Many artists making effort to become carbon neutral

KEITH CARMAN
for Metro Canada

The ace of spades is turning green.

Since its formative years, rock 'n' roll has been renowned for disregarding anything other than instant gratification. The essence of a great band was to promote a consistently laissez faire attitude. However, as global ecological consciousness takes hold and awareness of our lackadaisical stance toward Mother Earth evolves, a new revolution is pervading.

Rock is going green. Over the past half-century, rock has left a mark on the world yet the impact hasn't been solely societal. There's an environmental component to artists such as The Rolling Stones, U2 and Willie Nelson traipsing the globe, promoting their new album and entertaining the masses nightly month after month, year after year.

That abrasion runs far deeper than the cliched tales of promiscuity and narcotics abused by people with loud guitars and louder voices. From carbon-spewing flights and tour busses, massive power drain for lights, decibel-crunching amplification and the generation of trash, even the smallest bands leave an indelible stamp on the planet. Musical preferences aside, that's not good.

Nonetheless, many artists are making great strides to revert their global toxic shock, striving to become carbon neutral.

GETTY IMAGES

Jack Johnson's "EnviroRider" includes backstage recycling containers, locally sourced catering and a voluntary $1.50 ticket fee to "offset carbon emissions associated with traveling from the show."

Those stars who once gained notoriety for trashing hotels and ignoring ethics are now revered for their radical approach to rockin' out while saving the planet — or at least minimizing the impact.

Despite many precedents, no established working formula has been set. Many artists are left struggling to find a way to contribute yet all are revered for their efforts big or small. Witness Willie Nelson's biodiesel-powered buses and Jack Johnson's "EnviroRider" which includes things like backstage recycling containers, locally sourced catering and a voluntary $1.50 ticket fee to "offset carbon emissions associated with travelling from the show." Neil Young's baby-step: His forthcoming album Fork In The Road is about his electrically converted 1959 Lincoln Continental.

On his website, eco-king David Suzuki heralds The Rolling Stones and Coldplay for offsetting emissions associated with their concerts and albums by reducing and/or planting trees to suck up the noxious gasses and turn them into clean, healthy oxygen. The Dave Matthews Band has traced their carbonic steps back to 1991 and turned to organization Native Energy (nativeenergy.com) who document a person/business/act's footprint and counter it by constructing new Native American and Native Alaskan renewable energy generators that create clean electricity, displacing coal-fired plants.

Keep in mind that as with all things innovative, the first steps made towards correcting environmental oversights aren't picture-perfect. Most of Coldplay's carbon-mashing mango trees died in their first year and as Rolling Stone Magazine reported in June of 2008 and Radiohead were chagrined to learn of a six-hour traffic jam en route to one performance. That's six hours of fume-spewing vehicles going nowhere.

Still, those are circumstances beyond a band's control and the green rock revolution is quite young so while a fully green tour is many moons away, as the movement garners attention and support the kinks are slowly worked out.

It's a start: Acts aspiring to generate action from knowledge; hoping that such environmental responsibility will become as infectiously appealing as the desire to become a world-travelling guitar hero.

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MAPLEMUSIC PHOTO

Joel Plaskett's latest album Three is an introspective three-record behemoth about leaving home and coming back.

Plaskett goes 3-for-3

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Joel Plaskett

Album: Three
Label: MapleMusic/Universal
Rating: ●●●●½

IF ANYONE CAN claim the moniker "hardest working man in show business" it's got to be Joel Plaskett. Since disbanding Thrush Hermit in 1999, the travelling troubadour has been producing album after album of great folk rock. But his latest is his most ambitious project yet. It's an introspective three record behemoth about leaving home and coming back. While it might sound crazy to release 27 songs at once, they're all fantastic. Disc one features the louder tunes, album two is sombre, while the last record picks the tempo back up. A must have for any Canadian music fan.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada

Martina McBride

Album: Shine
Label: RCA/Sony
Rating: ●●●½

THIS ALBUM HAS more than a few of those "wow-how-did-she-hit-that-note" moments. But that's what we've come to expect from Martina McBride. She possesses the biggest voice in Nashville, sort of a country version of Celine Dion minus all the bizarre baggage. On Shine, McBride teams up with producer Dan Huff (Rascall Flats, Keith Urban) for an album that's sure to score some hits. This is a wonderfully sounding album sticking to a safe formula. McBride forged new ground back in the '90s with songs like Independence Day. Here, even the socially conscious tracks like Wild Rebel Rose and I'm Trying, seem to be obligatory nods to her biggest hit when placed next to songs with titles like Sunny Side Up.

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Pastor takes case to Divorce Court

Disgraced pastor Ted Haggard says he wanted his wife to divorce him after a sex scandal involving another man, but she refused. Haggard made the comments in a two-part episode of the TV show Divorce Court to be broadcast April 1-2. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nat King Cole

Album: Re:Generations
Label: EMI
Rating: ◍½

THE CONCEPT IS straight forward enough. Honour one of the greatest voices of popular music by getting a bunch of contemporary scratchers, rappers and re-mixers to mash and mangle the original recordings of Nat King Cole. What were they thinking? The album starts out nice enough with the static of an old-time needle rubbing against a vinyl groove and the velvet of Nat's vocal chords offering up the confessional opening line of Lush Life — "I was wrong." Nat, however, has nothing to apologize for. It's the producers of this ill-begotten project that need to be taken to task. With the lone exception of Natalie Cole and Will.i.am's respectful rendition of Straighten Up and Fly Right, this album fails in almost every respect. These two worlds were never meant to collide. It's like Scotty mixing matter with anti-matter in the engine room of the starship Enterprise. "Captain, the engines are going to blow!" NAS rapping about swag and VSOP cognac over The Game Of Love; Cut Chemist snipping and skipping Nat on Day In — Day Out; Bittersweet's obnoxious gurgling on More And More of Your Amor ... We could go on, but why bother.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

Keri Hilson

Album: In A Perfect World
Label: Interscope/Universal
Rating: ◍◍½

A WHOLE LOT of people owe Keri Hilson some big favours. She's written for Britney Spears, Usher and Ludacris as well as providing vocals for Timbaland's solo album Shock Value. This is a classy album from a talented individual, but there's little here that differentiates Hilson from the rest of the contemporary R&B world. Unfortunately, that's probably because there's too many "friends," including producer Timbaland, putting her through the same loops that everyone else have already given a good ride. This album already had three single releases before it was complete — Energy, the appropriately titled Return The Favor with Timbaland, and Turnin Me On with Little Wayne. None set the charts on fire and it's unlikely the fourth single, Knock You Down, will fare much better even with the help of Kanye West and Ne-Yo.

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The Vines

Album: Melodia
Label: World's Fair/MapleMusic
Rating: ◍◍◍

THE VINES HAVE been through a lot in their career — big hits, bad discs, Craig Nicholls' Asperger's Syndrome diagnosis — but they've more or less stayed true to their Nirvana-meets-The Hives sound. Their fourth disc is no exception. With plenty of brash, fuzzed-out tunes like Get Out, it's easy to see why people like these guys. However, if they really want to repeat their past success, they need to do away with their middling slow songs. These guys are rockers and they should stick to what they know best.

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Moncton, N.B. Thunderstruck

Australian hard-rockers AC/DC have signed a deal to perform at Magnetic Hill in New Brunswick later this summer, CTV News reported Tuesday.

Quoting unnamed sources in the concert industry, CTV said the concert will be held at the outdoor venue near Moncton on Aug. 6.

No official announcement had been made as of yesterday.

Municipal officials in Moncton would not confirm the report.

The legendary rock band is currently in the middle of its Black Ice world tour.

Last year, the band had the bestselling album of the year in Canada with Black Ice, their first disc in eight years, which sold 341,000 units.

The world tour first rolled into Canada on Nov. 7, when the 35-year-old band played before a sold-out crowd of 45,000 at the Rogers Centre in Toronto.

The band members include guitarist Angus Young, his brother and rhythm guitarist Malcolm Young, bass player Cliff Williams, drummer Phil Rudd and singer Brian Johnson. All are in their 50s, with the exception of Johnson, who is 61.

The only other Canadian dates were Nov. 28 at GM Place in Vancouver, where Black Ice was recorded at The Warehouse Studio, and the Rogers Centre for another show Jan. 9.

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Aussie rockers AC/DC will perform at Magnetic Hill near Moncton, N.B., reports say.

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Officials revisit Nicole Smith case

LEGAL Prosecutors in South Florida are taking a fresh look at evidence in the 2007 death of actress-model Anna Nicole Smith.

A spokesman for State Attorney Michael Satz says Broward County prosecutors met recently with authorities in Los Angeles and the California Department of Justice.

That follows the indictment March 13 in California of Smith's former boyfriend, Howard K. Stern, and two doctors on charges of conspiring to illegally prescribe drugs for Smith.

Nickelodeon urges kids to switch off

EARTH DAY Nickelodeon will ask kids to unplug their games and gadgets for a minute on Earth Day. The unplugged minute will come at 9 o'clock in the evening on April 22, when many of Nick's viewers should arguably be in bed. It doesn't extend to television sets, but is largely targeted at household lights, hand-held games and cellphones.

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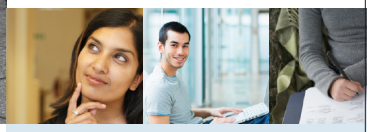

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Amazing Race host faces 'daunting' challenge
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All-star comic action

Seth Rogen among big names in Monsters vs. Aliens

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Animated films offer a great opportunity to bring together the kind of all-star cast that would be difficult to wrangle for a live-action film, as this week's Monsters vs. Aliens proves.

Inspired as much by The Dirty Dozen as by the B-movies it celebrates and lampoons, the movie centres on a group of misfit creatures (Reese Witherspoon, Hugh Laurie, Seth Rogen and Will Arnett) locked away in a government facility until an alien invasion gives them the chance to prove themselves.

Rounding out the supporting cast are Keifer Sutherland as their military minder, Stephen Colbert as the president and Paul Rudd as Witherspoon's self-absorbed fiancé.

"It's a great opportunity to work with a lot of great comic actors," Witherspoon says of making animated films.

"We're all so busy doing other kinds of movies that it's only ever possible to work with this many amazing, talented people in this capacity because it doesn't take up a huge amount of all of our time."

Canadian actor Seth Rogen stars in Monsters vs. Aliens.

Movie **feature**

"We got really lucky with our cast," producer Lisa Stewart says. "We set out to create a comedy all-star team."

The film marks Witherspoon's first foray into animated work, and she says the fact that the story centred on a female protagonist (her character, Susan) was what drew her to the role. But if she thought a cartoon would be a walk in the park, she had another thing coming. "We really put Reese through the ringer," director Conrad Vernon jokes.

Like Witherspoon, much of the cast was new to animation when they signed on.

But Seth Rogen has been racking up plenty of cartoon credits, popping up in almost as many animated films as he has live action. Last year, he was heard in Kung-fu Panda and Horton Hears a Who, which also featured Arnett. And he appeared recently on an episode of Family Guy lampooning his own success.

"It feels a lot more like playing than acting," Rogen says of doing voice work.

Monsters vs. Aliens also features a number of Canadian cast members, including Sutherland, Arnett and Rogen. "We're slowly taking over," Sutherland said.

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critics'corner

Manufacturing Dissent
It's critical of Michael Moore's methods, but this 2007 documentary from Canadian filmmakers Rick Caine and Debbie Melnyk isn't a hatchet job. Unable to score an interview with the left-leaning documentarian himself — shades of Moore's own "Roger & Me" — they talk to other people about him, including Ralph Nader and fellow filmmaker Errol Morris. Former President Jimmy Carter, scholar Noam Chomsky and actor-activist Richard Gere also appear. 9 PM on BVO

Encounters at the End of the World
Filmmaker Werner Herzog likes eccentric people, as anyone who's seen "Grizzly Man," his profile of bear enthusiast Timothy Treadwell, can attest. In this 2007 documentary, he turns his lens on the scientists, philosophers and others who call Antarctica's McMurdo Research Station home. It's not all offbeat personal stories, though; he also captures some spectacular underwater scenes and some disturbing penguin footage not suitable for children. 9 PM on M1

Nancy nursing knee

She's not quite ready to hit the dance floor yet, but Nancy O'Dell is on the path to recovery. The Access Hollywood co-host, who had to pull out of Dancing with the Stars before the season premiere this month, is resting at home after knee surgery. PEOPLE.COM

Celebrity Buzz

Ballroom a lot like bulls: Ty

PEOPLE Ballroom dancing is no different from getting into the ring with a bull — at least to season eight Dancing with the Stars contender Ty Murray, people.com reports.

In a MySpace video posted this week, the rodeo star is asked who he thinks is his toughest competitor on the show. He says, "I look at (the competition) just like I did my bull riding career. I don't have any control over the other competitors, I just gotta keep control of myself and make sure that I'm able to hopefully focus in and not get the jitters too bad."

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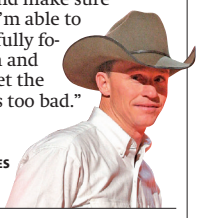

Bruce and Emma met on the job

PEOPLE Bruce Willis reportedly met his new wife, Emma Heming, through unusual circumstances. Sources tell Page Six that the actor practically cast her in the role, having met her while looking for actresses for his movie Perfect Stranger.

Willis is said to have made sure to be present when the actresses he liked came in, and he started dating Heming shortly after her audition, a source tells the paper.

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Angie starving self?

HEALTH Angelina Jolie has reportedly taken on a risky diet to slim down for Salt, the movie she's currently filming in New York.

According to Britain's the Sun, Jolie has shed 21 pounds in as many days while on an all-liquid diet.

"She does all her own stunts but we worry she could injure herself due to the weight loss," a source tells the paper.

Meanwhile, Grazia magazine reports the actress has only lost eight pounds, but that people around her are still just as concerned.

The magazine claims Brad Pitt grew so fed up with her fasting that he stormed out of their rented Long Island home.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Paul and Nancy like lovebirds

RELATIONSHIP Paul McCartney and his girlfriend acted like "besotted teenagers" during a night out this week, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 66-year-old musician and his 48-year-old partner Nancy Shevell stunned fellow guests at the London after-party for The Boat That Rocked movie premiere this week with their public displays of affection and frequent outings to the dancefloor. At one point the couple gyrated to Rolling Stones classic Satisfaction.

"Paul was having a great time. He was on brilliant form, mingling with partygoers," a source said. "Fans were asking for pictures and he was happily obliging and Nancy looked so loved-up and content."

McCartney used the party to introduce Shevell — who he has reportedly been dating since November 2007 — to his friends and was delighted when they bonded quickly.

The source added to Britain's Daily Mirror newspaper: "As well as speaking to the movie cast, including Rhys Ifans and Bill Nighy, Paul made a big deal of introducing Nancy to his friends Twiggy and Kenneth Branagh.

"He looked quite nervous but soon they were laughing like old friends and the idea of a dinner party was mooted."

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I'm too busy for Obama: Simon

PEOPLE Hosting American Idol apparently keeps Simon Cowell busy — so busy he doesn't have time for the president.

Cowell told Jay Leno that he'd received an invitation to have dinner at the White House with Barack Obama, but he had to turn it down.

"He wanted to have dinner and our diaries didn't quite match," Cowell told Leno recently on his talk show. "We just didn't quite connect."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Chris hitting the books at college?

PEOPLE Chris Brown has dismissed rumours he's going back to school after he was spotted visiting a university campus in his native Virginia at the weekend, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer, 19, prompted claims he was set to hit the books at Norfolk State University after he was seen walking the school grounds with his mother and cousin.

But Brown — who currently faces almost five years in jail for allegedly assaulting on/off girlfriend Rihanna last month — has denied the reports, insisting a relative is a prospective student at the university.

A representative for Brown tells TMZ.com the singer visited the college as a "support factor" for his cousin, and has "not applied," "not enrolled" and is "not interested" in returning to his studies at this point.

The embattled star is due to appear in a Los Angeles court in April.

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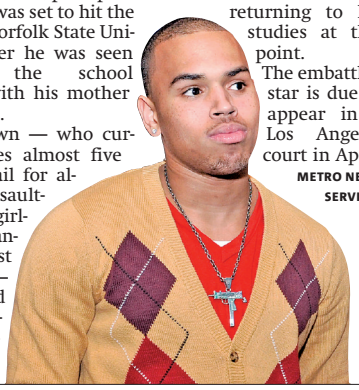

Robert stinks!

PEOPLE Robert Pattinson has admitted in the past to his problems with keeping himself clean, telling Showbiz Spy, "I don't have too much of a sense of personal hygiene or styling or anything. I gave up washing my hair a while back."

But now his filthy ways are reportedly wreaking havoc on the set of New Moon, the sequel to Twilight that is currently filming in Vancouver. On-set sources tell E! News that the young British star "completely reeks." "He stinks. I mean, it's awful. He never showers, and it drives people on the set crazy."

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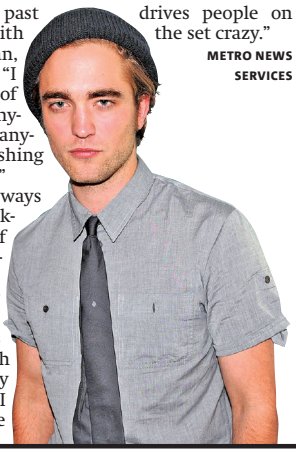

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Victoria strips down for Armani

Victoria Beckham has stripped off once again for a new Emporio Armani Underwear shot. The gorgeous fashion icon leans seductively back over a bed in just a bra, thong and high heels, in possibly her most intimate pose yet. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Celebrity Buzz

Britney runs up $2.7M legal tab

PEOPLE Britney Spears has spent $2.7 million US in lawyers' fees in the past 11 months, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Circus singer — who has managed to turn her life around following her public meltdown early last year — was forced to pay $417,000 to legally end her two-year marriage to Kevin Federline and the subsequent custody battle over their two children, Sean Preston, three, and two-year-old Jayden James.

Fees were also paid to 17 lawyers and firms, including $1 million for Spears' own attorneys.

Lawyer Geraldine Wyle — who represents Spears' father Jamie, who is legally in control of his daughter's estate — said: "Since the initiation of the conservatorship, as a result of the concerted efforts of Mr. Spears as well as the professionals involved, all aspects of Ms. Spears' life have been stabilized and continue to improve."

According to Wyle, Spears — who was twice held in a psychiatric ward before her father was put in control — faces "complex and challenging issues" which have run up huge costs.

However, she admitted the mother-of-two's mental health had improved over the last year and has won "substantial visitation" with her sons and her career "has been revitalized."

Spears is currently on a sold-out world tour and has been honoured with a plaque to commemorate the huge success of her latest album, Circus.

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I don't deserve fame: Chris

PEOPLE Chris Martin doesn't believe he deserves success, femalefirst.co.uk reports. Despite selling millions of albums worldwide, the Coldplay frontman feels he must prove the group has earned their place at the top of the charts.

"Every day I wake up and think, 'OK, today we've got to really prove ourselves. We've got to justify where we are,'" he said. "I always feel like my dad's going to burst through my bedroom door at any moment and wake me up to go back to my real job."

Despite his self-doubt, the Viva La Vida singer isn't worried about his critics because he knows not everyone will like his music.

He added: "We're like Vegemite in many respects. A lot of people like us, but many more people don't. I'd like to convince everyone that our particular brand of Vegemite is brilliant, but it's never g oing to happen."

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Rihanna house hunting?

PEOPLE Rihanna was "in a great mood" when she checked out a $6.25 million US home this week that used to belong to Jerry Seinfeld, the real estate agent she worked with tells usmagazine.com.

"She was very quiet," Russ Filice of Sotheby's International Realty tells Us. The 5,913-square-foot, three-bedroom Hollywood Hills home "has incredible views, a contemporary pool and is very private," he adds.

"Rihanna just started her search. She looked at three homes with three assistants and a driver," adds Filice. "Her questions were centered around her lifestyle in the house; how she could entertain, how private it is."

The singer spent about 15 to 20 minutes at the property. "She was in a great mood," Filice says. She didn't bring up Chris Brown — who faces felony charges for allegedly beating her — and "there were no scars, no bruises, no nothing. (She is) very sweet, very pretty."

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Lauren's label 'on hiatus'

CAREER Lauren Conrad has taken to her Celebrity MySpace blog to clear up rumors about her clothing line, which is currently "on hiatus," usmagazine.com reports.

"A few days ago a statement was released to the showrooms that carry my clothing line. It asked them to let the stores know that I was planning to take a couple seasons off from my line so that I could make some changes that I felt were necessary," she writes.

"As a result, a lot of people were under the impression that my line was being discontinued or had been dropped," she continues. "This isn't the case at all. The truth is, I was the one who asked to take a couple seasons off."

Conrad says she has "learned so much in the past year and I want to apply that to the improvement of my clothing line. I also wanted to make some changes in production so I would be able to lower the price point. That being said, I am actually really excited about beginning this process."

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Jacko planning a menagerie

CAREER Michael Jackson has big plans for his set of 50 concerts in London this summer, and those plans reportedly include a menagerie of exotic animals.

"He hopes to make it the most spectacular gig ever," a source tells the Daily Mirror. "For the jungle section, he wants to ride out on an African elephant with panthers led on gold chains. Parrots and other birds will fly behind him. If it goes to plan it will look incredible."

Jackson is reportedly "desperate to work around" Britain's animal welfare laws that would preclude using some of the non-domestic creatures.

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Katy and Josh friends, not lovers

RUMOUR Katy Perry and Josh Groban may sound like a perfect couple, but contrary to rumours of a relationship between the two, the two singers are "very close friends" — not romantically involved, according to Josh's rep, people.com reports.

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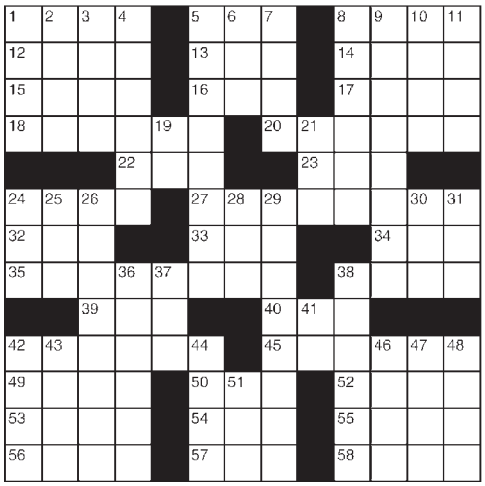

Crossword across

1 Requests
5 Springtime abbr.
8 Standards
12 Injure severely
13 Kiwi's extinct kin
14 Saudi Arabia neighbour
15 Curved molding
16 Wood-shaping tool
17 Peacekeeping grp.
18 Whiz
20 Capital of Croatia
22 Deli loaf
23 Floral accessory
24 The "Say Hey Kid"
27 Still having a rind
32 Resume, for short
33 Estuary
34 Deposit
35 Bill Clinton, by birth
38 Extra
39 Raw rock
40 Discoverer's call
42 Reverberates
45 Look for typos
49 Bridge coup
50 NAFTA signatory
52 Urban carrier
53 Cougar
54 "Platoon" locale
55 Cruising
56 Nays' undoers
57 College transcript no.
58 Opposite of 38-Across

Crossword down

1 Andy's pal
2 Long story
3 Chicken —
4 Fingerpaints
5 Olympians, generally
6 Legume holder
7 Heckle
8 Thin silky fabric
9 Texas city
10 Assessment
11 Uppity one
19 Big Apple abbr.
21 Milwaukee product
24 Biz deg.
25 Broadcast
26 Japanese city
28 Actress Peeples
29 Complete view
30 Listener
31 Go red?
36 Scents
37 Born
38 Human
41 That guy
42 Get a glimpse of
43 Fingerprint, often
44 Trilled
46 Relaxation
47 Graph lines
48 "Buenos —"
51 Enervate

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone — one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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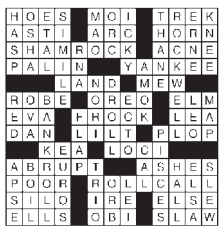
PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min.....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Beefy Mushroom Barley Soup

INGREDIENTS:

12 oz (375 g) beef chuck, cut into 1-in. (2.5-cm) cubes
3 medium onions, coarsely chopped
10 oz (300 g) mushrooms, sliced
3 large carrots, sliced
1/2 cup (125 ml) pearl barley
7 cups (1.75 l) low-salt beef broth
1 cup (250 ml) dry white wine or tomato juice
salt to taste
1/2 tsp (2 ml) pepper
1 cup (250 ml) frozen peas
2 tsp (10 ml) lemon juice

METHOD:

1. Coat large pot with nonstick cooking spray and set over medium-high heat until hot but not smoking. Sauté beef until brown, about 5 minutes. Transfer to double layer of paper towels with slotted spoon.
2. Sauté onions and mushrooms in pot drippings until onions are golden, about 7 minutes. Return beef to pot. Stir in carrots, barley, broth, wine, salt and pepper, then boil.
3. Reduce heat to medium-low. Simmer, partially covered, until beef and barley are tender, about 45 minutes. Stir in peas and cook, uncovered, until tender, about 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in lemon juice.

SERVES 6

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Deal with a health issue immediately. Speak plainly of a flight of fancy. Never say never when it comes to extreme motivation.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Expect a minor amount of doubtfulness. Steer clear of a temperamental fiend. Express your respect for a logical argument.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
A companion's sharp emotional edges are dangerous. Grief causes gloom but progress brings ease. A motivated person causes disruption.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Don't be baffled by a war of words. Release someone from a stressful place. A hero is ludicrously lacking good judgment.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
Dreadful decadence causes remorse. A social caller rewards you for exuberance. Flattery and gossip will get you somewhere.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
A concerned note helps you to find an error. Love lessons are learned the easy way. Avoid having a lively conversation while working.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Have some comfort food and a mini-vacation. A woman's troubles will ease soon. A friend's chronic complaining will stop.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
Tension subsides when a woman shows kindness. Don't take sides in an argument. Your heart is wrenched by a pitiful story.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Somebody's unbridled passion is unnerving. A minor spat makes you take shelter. It's time to let go of unnecessary luxuries.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
Don't expect too much. Misconduct erupts as a result of imminent changes. Avoid getting hot under the collar.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
You'll witness a stranger's act of kindness. Let the good times roll with laughter and zest. Explain your actions lucidly, without losing patience.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20
A problem is solved by listening. A late arrival can cause mortification. Be on your guard when someone is neglectful.

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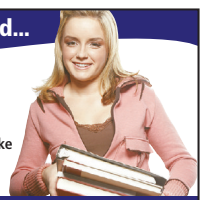

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